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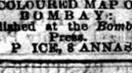

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BL SUTLEJ	4303	801	W. D. Worcester	8th ,,
† SIAM	3011	500	H. Weighell	15th ,,
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BL SHANNON	4189	800	C. R. Edwards	22nd ,,
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BL PEKIN	3930	651	P. Harris	5th Apr.
† SIAM	3011	500	H. T. Weighell	12th ,,
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I also give notice under section 162 (1) of the aforesaid Act that all complaints against the amount of any rateable value entered in the said Ward Assessment Books will be received in my Office on or before the 16th January, 1889.

E. C. K. OLLIVANT,
Municipal Commissioner,
For the City of Bombay.

Municipal Office, Bombay, 20th December, 1888.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen-Defender of the Faith, Empress of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of KESHAVDAS NATHOOBHOY, late of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, deceased.

KALLANDAS KESHAVDAS and TULSIDAS KESHAVDAS, the Executors, according to the tenor of the said Will .....Petitioners

ALL PERSONS claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased, are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness, Sir Charles Sargent, Kt., Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, the 19th day of December, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-Eight, and in the Fifty-second year of our Reign.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay

J. W. ORR,
Registrar.
L. N. BANAJEE,
The 19th day of December, 1888.
Messrs. WINTER, BURDER, & BAYLEY,
Petitioners' Attorneys.

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Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of SHREECRUSTNA NARRONJEE, late of Bombay, Hindoo, deceased.

SUDANUND SHREECRUSTNAJEE, the Sole Executor, named in the said Will .....Petitioner.

ALL PERSONS claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness, Sir CHARLES SARGENT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, the 18th day of December, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-eight, and in the Fifty-second year of our Reign.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay

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PESTANJEE AND RUSTIM,
Administratrix's Attorneys.

MUNICIPALITY OF BOMBAY.

NOTICE.

SEALED tenders will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay up to 2 p.m., on THURSDAY, the 17th day of January, 1889, for works in the construction of a new Mutton Market at the Arthur Crawford Market.

2, Form of Contract, specification, &c., can on payment of Rs. 10 be obtained from the undersigned, who will, on application, give any further information that may be required.

3, Tenders must be accompanied by a Deposit of Rs. 1,500, to be paid to the Chief Accountant in cash, and to be forfeited in case of refusal to sign the Contract.

4, A further Deposit of Rs. 700, will have to be paid by the Contractor whose Tender is accepted.

5, The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

By order of the Municipal, Commissioner,

JAMES W. SMITH, C.E.,
Acting Executive Engineer.

Bombay, Municipal Executive Engineer's Office, 20th December, 1888.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

Committee of the Corporation for the 1889-90 ill be held here at 3 P.M., on MONDAY, 7th January, 1889.

The Adjourned Meetings for the consideration of the Budget will be held without further notification on subsequent WEDNESDAYS, FRIDAYS, and MONDAYS at 3 o'clock P.M.

2. The Corporation can proceed to consider either the income or the Expenditure first.

3. Attention is drawn to the provisions of Section 36, Clauses (m) and (n) of the Act, and members will please give notices accordingly.

4. A Meeting of the Corporation will be held here on MONDAY, the 7th January, 1889, at 3-5 P.M., for the consideration of the following business:—

1. Government Resolution appointing Mr. M. R. Wyer a member of the Corporation.

2. Letter from the Municipal Secretary, reporting the Budget transfers sanctioned by the Standing Committee up to 19th December, 1888.

3. Standing Committee's Resolution recommending that sanction be given to the payment of Rs. 90,000, from the Municipal Building Fund, to meet the payment to Government for the site of the new Municipal Office at Bores Bunder:—

"That sanction be given to the sale of so much of the Building Fund Securities which, together with available balances deposited to the credit of the Fund, will be sufficient to realize Rs. 90,000."

4. Resolution of the Standing Committee, recommending the Corporation to sanction, as a special case, the payment of Rs. 3. 27-7-6, to meet the proportionate cost of filling in with at rial excavated from drainage works, the portion of tank at the Victoria Gardens, which was sold to the Rev. G. W. Clutterbuck, as the site for a chapel.

5. Letter to the Corporation from Mr. Pestonjee Dajeebhoy complaining of the drainage operations in Dhobi Talao district. Resolution of the Standing Committee recommending that applicant be informed "That any complaint which he may wish to lodge on the subject should be made to the Corporation or to the Municipal Commissioner direct and not by way of reference to a letter in a newspaper."

6. Standing Committee's Resolution, "recommending the Corporation to sanction, under the special circumstances of the case, the putting in of a new water connection to Mr. Gheesta's property at Nos. 180-90, Parel Road, Byculla, at the cost of the Municipality, on condition that Mr. Gheesta withdraw all further claims in respect of this transaction."

7. Return showing the number of new properties assessed, &c., for the quarter ending 30th September 1888.

8. Standing Committee's Resolution, No. 5,412, dated 5th December, 1888, forwarding Health Officer's Report for the Second Quarter of 1888.

9. Mr. H. O. Selby to move:—"That the President do write and ask Government whether they will be pleased to join with the Corporation in appointing a Commission to inquire into and report on the best means of disposing of town sweepings."

10. Cowasjee Hormusjee, Esq., G.G.M.C. to move:—"That the President be requested to communicate with Government in order to ascertain the views of H. E. the Governor in Council as to whether it is necessary, in the interests of public safety, that the Police force of this City should be augmented, and that in the event of Government being of opinion that such increase is essential the Corporation be prepared to bear their share of the enhanced cost."

11. Standing Committee's Resolution recommending the construction of additional catch Water Channels at Vehar and Tulsi, at a cost of Rs. 23,600.

12. Sanction to be asked to an advance of Rs. 50,000, for the purchase of water fittings for sale, &c.

13. Resolution of the Standing Committee, recommending the Corporation to sanction the outlay of Rs. 1,93,150, to the debit of loan and revenue, respectively, to provide for repairs urgently required to Malabar Hill and Bhundarwada Reservoirs.

By order of the President,

H. WYNFORD BARROW,
Municipal Secretary.

Bombay, Municipal Corporation Office, 20th Dec., 1888.

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Under instructions from the Executive Engineer Presidency, the undersigned will sell by Public Auction THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at 3 p. m. at the Executive Engineer Presidency store yard on the Esplanade—a turn table, coir matting cane matting C. I pipes, &c.

AUCTION SALE OF THE MILLS OF THE NAWAB OF BALLA SPINNING, WEAVING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

In the matter of the Indian Companies Act of 1882, and in the matter of the Nawab of Balla Spinning, Weaving and Manufacturing Company, Limited, (in Liquidation).

Under instructions from the Official Liquidators (N. E. S. W. and M. Co. Ld). Messrs Ishwardas Jagjivandas and Adenji Jevanji, I is hereby notified that the property (Buildings, Tanks, Plant and Machinery) of the abovenamed Mill detailed as per printed List) will be sold by Public Auction by Messrs MEHRJEE JOHNSTON & Co of Bombay, on MONDAY, the 14th day of January, 1889, at 11 o'clock, in the forenoon, at the Mill premises.

The property is situate at Surat, outside the Sahara Gate, on the ground called Rasoola Baug, measuring about (50) acres and 25 gunthas, leased from the owner, Jia Obeisha Ladli Begum Saheb, at an annual rent of Rs. 1,200 for a period of 99 years commencing from the 1st November, 1861, a portion of which, viz. 30 acres and 20 gunthas has been sublet to D Nusserwanji Nowroji Khambhata for the same period at an annual rent of Rs. 405. The present Government Summary Settlement and Local Funds are paid by the owner, but any additional encumbrance hereafter on the ground is to be paid by the Company i. e., the purchaser.

N.B.—There is a Ginning Factory, erected in the compound of mill premises, the machinery and buildings of which belong to Messrs. Vasanji Dulabhaj, and Lallubhai Harbhaj, under an agreement dated 21th October, 18 3, passed by them to the Company and consequently they are not included in the Company's property advertised for sale. Deeds of leases and agreement above referred to and duly executed are in the Gujarati language, and can be seen at any time during Office hours at the Official Liquidator's Office.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the Official Liquidators at their Office in Warifalia at Surat, or to the undersigned at their Office at Bombay, No. 4, Forbes and Medows Streets.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.

Bombay, 21st December, 1888.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
7, MARINE STREET.

BONA FIDE AND UNRESERVED SALE of Japanese Curiosities and Silk Embroideries, suitable for Christmas and New Year's presents.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 22nd inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction without reserve at their Rooms (first floor.)

A consignment of 29 cases Japanese curiosities and embroideries, just received per s.s. Verona, consisting of 12, 16, 24 and 25 inche Gong suns and Cases Vases, Screens and jars, bowls, ashtrays, inkstand, plates, tea and coffee sets, cups and saucers, ebony and inlaid cabinet and wall brackets, paper screens, bronze tea kettles, wire baskets, trays, vases and candlesticks, lacquered jewel boxes, tumbler and decanter trays, and chow-chow boxes, Japanese jinrickshaws, porcelain and bronze enamelled plates, silk umbrellas, satin and gold and silk embroidered bed, pillow and table covers, window curtains, mantel pieces, chair covers, Malakecca canes, silk photo-frames, figures, pictures, hand ornaments, screens, &c., &c.

The above will be sold in small lots to suit purchasers, and is now on view.

ON SUNDAY, the 23rd instant, at 1 p. m, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Pali Hill, Bandora, the valuable and handsome French-polished, blackwood and teakwood household furniture, best electro-plated wares, superior porcelain-ware, rich in glassware, a first-rate mahogany square pianoforte from Rose and Co., rich table ornaments, cashmere and Persian carpets, Hinks and Knaust kerosine oil, table and hanging lamps, choice plants, such as Peona rose, crotons, &c. in tubs and pots, &c., the property of A. FRANCKE, Esq.

Catalogues are published, and the property is on view.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY next, the 24th instant, at 2 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms—

10 bales gray shirtings.
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5 cases prints.
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3 ,, superfine woollen cloth.

1 case and 1 hamper of glassware, consisting of soda pint and half pint tumblers, glasses, biscuit boxes, butter coolers, candlestands, candle lamps, caraffes and tip-celery stands, centre stands, cheese stands, decanter custard and cruet dishes, flower pots and stands, ice shades, goblets decanters and plates, jugs, match stands, pickle jars, salt cellars, sugar stands, cream jugs, &c.

5 casks machine oil.
1 case Boots and shoes.
1 single-barrelled breech-loading central-fire gun in case by J. and W. Tolly.
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AUCTION SALE of musical ornaments and novelties, suitable for Christmas and New Year's Presents.

Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their rooms, on MONDAY next, the 24th instant, at 3 p.m.:—

1 case of musical ornaments received per s.s. Dominion Baldwin—consisting of jewellery case, China plate, silver smoking plate, ivory inkstand, call bell ornamented, silver candlesticks, flambeau-bronze and China cups, cigar stands, lady's leather and plush bags, cigar case, chairs, albums, fruit plates, &c., &c., all playing music, 8 tune musical box, 6 tune clarabella, 6 tune claraphone, &c.

The ornaments are on view.

On SATURDAY, the 29th instant, sale commencing at 1 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Chinchpoogly, near the Salvation Army Bungalow, the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, plate-glass, crockery and glassware, table and hanging lamps, pictures, carpets, rich china ornaments, &c., the property of CHARLES MACKESSON, Esq.

Full particulars will be given hereafter and the property will be on view 3 days before sale.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES ON THE MATOONGA ROAD, AT MAHIM.

On SATURDAY, the 29th instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises, by order of Mr. Krushnarao Bhaskerjee Rele, the transferee of the mortgagee, and on account and at the risk of the mortgagor Mr. Narrayen Ramchunder, the undermentioned landed properties, viz:—

Firstly—All that piece of ground, formerly registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 11, and then and now under No. 14533, with the messuage or chawl standing thereon, situate at Naigaum, on the east side of Matoonga Road, formerly in the Registration subdistrict of Mandvie, and now in the Registration subdistrict of Bombay, admeasuring 2,093 3-9 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east partly by a public passage and partly by the property now or late of Soondercjee Lowjee, on the west by the said Matoonga Road, on the north by a public passage, and on the south by the property now or late of Soondercjee Lowjee, which said land and premises are assessed by the Collector of Assessment under Ward No.—, District Mahim.

Secondly—All that vacant piece of land, formerly registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 13, and now under No. 14538, admeasuring 76 4-9 square yards or thereabouts, situate on the west side of the said Matoonga Road at Naigaum, formerly in the Registration Subdistrict of Maadvie, and now in the Registration Subdistrict of Bombay, and bounded on the east by the said Matoonga Road, and on the north, south and west by the property now or late of Soondercjee Lowjee.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF THE BOMBAY SAW MILLS COMPANY, Limited. IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION.

On SATURDAY, the 5th January next, at 4 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, by order of the Trustees for the Debenture Holders, and the Voluntary Liquidators, on the premises, the above named Company's Leasehold land, buildings, Good will, Machinery, stock in trade and other effects, situate at Tank Bunder.

The property is most favourably situated at Tank Bunder, possessing a harbour frontage, which affords every facility for importing and storing timber.

The property and machinery may be viewed on application to the undersigned, from whom printed copies of particulars and conditions of sale can be had a week before sale.

All particulars can be obtained on application to Messrs. Craigie, Lynch, and Owen, Solicitors to the Trustees for the Debenture Holders, or to Messrs. Macfarlane, Edgelow, and Homming, Solicitors for the Voluntary Liquidators.

SALE OF PRECIOUS STONES.

Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 15th January next, at 2 p.m., by order of whom it may concern and on account and risk of Mr. G. L. Peris Tambay, of Colombo—27 Parcels of Ceylon saphires, topaze, star, saphires, &c, &c.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, December 21st, 1888.

NOTICE.

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5 cases each containing 4 dozens patent stoppered bottles of Monopole Pilsener Beer, light gravity crystal color, the patent stoppered can be recorked for another occasion

20 cases de Losay extra sec select Cuvee champagne.

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THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 21 inst. sale commencing at 2 p. m., Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE & Co. will hold their usual auction sale at their rooms as follows:—

On account of the consignees:—
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2 ,, perambulators.

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LOT NO 1.

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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Parel Gymkhana, Amateur Theatricals and Ball, 9 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessel arrived on the 19th :—Loodiana (s), from Calcutta. Yesterday :—Bisagno (s), from Hongkong; Khiva (s), Mauritius; and County of Eyre (s), Bangkok.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday :—D. Balduino (s), for Genoa; Pachumba (s), Karachi and Coast; Kairos (s), for Hull; and Palitana (s), Calcutta, Rangoon, &c.

FRENCH'S DOCK.—The s.s. Sorrento and Kerbella left the dock yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The s.s. Khiva and Bisagno entered the dock yesterday and the s.s. Kashgar and D. Balduino left it on the 19th inst.

GORED BY A BUFFALO.—Yesterday evening a European woman named Rosa Wyse, while passing along the Chunnam Kiln Road, was gored and knocked down by a buffalo, whereby she sustained a severe wound about the forehead and bruises about the face and abdomen. She was at once removed to the J. J. Hospital.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—While a labourer named Tookaram Soobana was working in a grain godown at Surat Road on Wednesday, he met with an accident by which four of his ribs were fractured, a number of wheat bags from a pile accidentally falling upon him and crushing him. He is at present under treatment at the G. T. Hospital.

REPORTED THEFTS.—Nusserwanjee ManockjeeCooper residing in the Fort High School, has reported to the police the theft of a small microscope valued at Rs. 45 from his cupboard on Wednesday last. Framjee Muncherjee, residing at Mody Bay, has also reported the theft of three gold rings, valued at Rs. 46, from the pocket of his coat, which he left hanging on a nail in the wall of his room on Wednesday last.

THE BOMBAY S. P. C. A.—ON the first of November last there were 100 bullocks, 25 horses, and 5 dogs at the Bai Sakarbai Dinshaw Petit Hospital for Animals at Parel. During the month of November, 94 bullocks, 35 horses, and 6 dogs were admitted, and during the same month 82 bullocks, 34 horses, and 5 dogs were discharged from the hospital, 9 cases among horses and 4 cases among dogs proved fatal during the past month.

AMATEUR THEATRICALS AT PAREL.—The members of the Parel Gymkhana give another of their pleasant musical and dramatic entertainments this evening at the G. I. P. Railway Institute, Parel. A dance will follow the theatricals, and as the committee of management is the same as before and the amateurs, who perform during the evening are old and well-known favourites, those who attend are sure to have a treat and enjoy a good dance afterwards.

MUSIC AT THE YACHT CLUB.—The band of the Gloster Regiment will play the following programme of music at the Yacht Club this evening, commencing at 5-30 o'clock :—

March .....La Conzonidel Soldato...Rampezzotti.
Overture ...Flotte Buroche .....Suppe.
Valse.....Love's Dream Laud .....Roeder.
Selection ...Balfe's Operas .....Godfrey.'
Valse .....La Source .....Waldteufel.
Selection ...Les Cloches de Corneville.Planquette.
Lancers ...The May Flower.....Liddell.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

A POLICEMAN ASSAULTED BY A FEMALE.—Yesterday an Italian woman named Louisa Schorff, residing at Cursetjee Sooklajee Street, was charged by Inspector Wilson before Mr. P. Ryan with assaulting a police constable while in the execution of his duty on Monday evening last. It appeared that the woman had asked the policeman to bring her a victoria, and on his declining to do so on the ground that he could not leave his post she threw a tumbler at him, striking him on the head. Inspector Wilson stated that the accused frequently got drunk and created disturbances, and on this occasion, when, the assault was reported to him, he went to the accused's residence and found her lying insensibly drunk. The accused was convicted and fined Rs. 10.

A STRANGE STORY OF DRUGGING AND ROBBING.—Kona Mavu, residing in Chuckla Street, was removed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital on Wednesday, suffering from the effects of opium, which, he alleged, was given him by a servant of his named Mahomed Ismael. He also alleges that the servant, after administering to him the drug, absconded with Rs. 190 and a watch and chain valued Rs. a t32. The authorities at the hospital are disposed to discredit the statement of the complainant, for the simple reason that if the opium had been given him at the hour stated he would been unconscious hours before his admission into hospital, and that opium is a drug which cannot be administered to a person without his knowledge, unless he be rendered insensible before its administration. Also, from what the complainant said, it appears there is reason to believe that he took an overdose of senna mixture, which contained opium, and which he was in the habit of using. Further enquiries are being made by the divisional police, and steps have been taken for the arrest of the absconding servant.

AN EXTENSIVE THEFT.—Inspector Dillon yesterday charged Kisunchand Dalichund, a Marwaree, before Mr. Hamilton with stealing cash and ornaments valued at Rs. 6,000, the property of Davichund Roychund, also a Marwaree. About a year ago the latter found one morning when he opened his shop that his safe was broken open and the cash and ornaments it contained, valued at Rs. 6.000, missing. The matter was reported to the police, but till two weeks ago no trace of the property or the thief could be found. Inspector Dillon discovered a portion of the ornaments pledged with a Marwaree, from whom he made inquires, which eventually led him on the track of the accused. Further investigations into the case led Mr. Dillon to trace the rest of the ornaments to different towns in Surat, where the man had absconded and had pawned his booty with sowcars of the place. In defence he pleaded guilty to the charge, and was sentenced, on his admitting previous convictions, to two years' hard labour and a fine of Rs. 1,000. with an alternative of six months' further imprisonment, the maximum punishment the Magistrate could inflict.

DETERMINED ATTEMPTS AT SUICIDE.—Goolam Ahmed a Mahomedan Mendicant,was yesterday charged before Mr. Cooper by the Railway Police with having attempted to commit suicide. It appeared that on the previous day the man had tried to drown himself in a tank at the market, but was rescued by a sepoy. He was charged for that attempt on Wednesday, and was sentenced to a day's imprisonment, on his promising not to act so foolishly again. Yesterday morning, however, he tried once more to make away vith himself. He went to the large railway yard at Bori Bunder and threw himself before a light engine which was shunting at the time. Fortunately he was seen by a muccadum who raised an alarm. The engine was stopped just in time and the man was unhurt,save a few injuries which he received from the cow-catcher. The occurrence was reported to Mr. Fitzgerald, the night station-master, and the man was taken into custody by the police. It appeared, that being unable to maintain himself by begging, the accused determined to kill himself. He stated so in defence, and Mr. Cooper gave him a month's simple imprisonment.

STABBING AFFRAY ON BOARDSHIP.—Berengo Peretos a quartermaster of the s. s. Kerbella, was charged before Mr. Cooper yesterday with having voluntarily caused hurt to Fustino Flores, also a quartermaster on the same ship, on Wednesday evening. It appeared that Flores was sitting in the quartermasters' cabin, when Peretos entered and asked him if he had seen his watch. Flores replied he had not, but Peretos was not satisfied with this, as he said, no one could have seen it besides himself. The watch was not found in the cabin, and Peretos then charged Flores with having stolen it. A quarrel ensued, and from high words the men, who are natives of Java, came to blows, and during a scuffle the complainant was cut in the thigh with a knife. He ran out of the cabin and then on to the deck crying out he had been stabbed, eventually going on shore, where he made a complaint to a dock policeman. Inspector Holmes was informed of the complaint, and proceeded on board, where he arrested Peretos. In defence the latter admitted the fight, but denied having drawn his knife on Flores. Mr. Cooper, the Magistrate, on the evidence convicted Peretos and sentenced him to one month's hard labour.

DIVINE SERVICE.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

SAINT THOMAS DAY.—FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21.

7-15 a.m.—Holy Communion. There will be the Guilds Service in the Cathedral this evening at 6 o'clock and the Sermon will be preached by the Bishop of Bombay.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before Mr. Justice SCOTT and Mr. Justice PARSONS.)

ALLEGED POLICE ZOOLUM.

IMPERATRIX *vs.* SHAIK HUSSEN SHAIK BOODAN AND ANOTHER.

THIS was an appeal from a decision of Mr. W. H. Crowe, Sessions Judge of Sattara, who, in October last, convicted the two accused, a police constable and a police sepoy respectively, of voluntarily causing hurt to extort a confession. The first was sentenced to six, and the second accused to four months' rigorous imprisonment. Mr. Anderson, instructed by Messrs. Balkrishna and Dixit, appeared for the first accused, and Mr. G R. Kirloskar, for the second, while Mr. Mandlik, Government Pleader, was for the Crown.

On the 26th May last, a child of the complainant Sawla, about eighteen months old, was killed by a bullock falling down on it in the middle of the night. In the morning information was given to the patel and kulkarni of the place, and a report was sent to the accused No. 1, who was chief constable of taluka Tasgaon, through one Nana Mahar. The complainant and his cousin Dajee accompanied the Mahar to the first accused's office. In the report it was stated that the body had been buried without permission, that the writer (the patel) could not tell whether the account given by the parents of the child as to the cause of death was true, as the body had been buried before he arrived there, and that complainant had told him, in reply to his enquiries, that it was done without informing him. Accused No. 1, after reading that report, sent for the patel and the kulkarni. On their arrival, he proceeded to interrogate the complainant as to the cause of his child's death; and after hearing his story, he expressed his doubt as to the truth of the story, and called up the second accused, a police sepoy, who seized the complainant by the shoulders, gave him two or three blows on his back, and threw him down on his back. Dajee was then ill-treated in a similar manner. Accused No. 1 then proceeded to the village of Turchi, where the occurrence took place, and made further enquiries. The complainant said that accused No. 1 did not himself beat him in the kacheri, but he said to accused No. 2, "He won't speak the truth; you just take him in hand, and beat him." At Turchi, the accused went to the house of the complainant and interrogated the complainant's wife. Under the pretext that she was not telling the truth, the first accused struck her four or five times with a whip handle. The complainant was also interrogated and beaten. Accused No. 1 kicked him and accused No. 2 gave him some blows upon his back. The Sessions Judge was of opinion that the evidence was sufficient to establish the charge against both the accused, and remarked that the first accused was a chief constable of a taluka, holding a responsible position, and one of emolument, which would be forfeited by his conviction. He had also incurred considerable expense in engaging the services of a professional gentleman from Bombay to conduct his defence. Looking at these circumstances, and also to the fact that the assault was not of an aggravated nature, his Honor thought that the ends of justice would be satisfied if the first accused was sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment. As to the second accused, it was remarked that his conviction would also entail the forfeiture of his appointment, and remembering that he must have throughout acted under the orders, though illegal, of his superior, he was sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment.

Mr. Justice Scott, in disposing of the appeal, said: Taking the evidence given in the Sessions Court by the complainant and the witnesses, and comparing it with former statements made by them, we find in it many discrepancies and some contradictions so important that we are unable to place reliance on it. It is true that the Sessions Judge has not recorded the depositions in which these former statements occur, as by law he should have done (11 Bom. H. C. R. 281, Cr. R., 6th Septemcer 1887), but since the attention of the witnesses was directed to these statements, we cannot allow the erroneous procedure of the Sessions Judge to prevent us treating them as evidence in the case. The delay in complaining throws suspicion upon the story of the complainant. The story itself is most improbable, while the evidence of the hospital assistant, the most important and independent witness, almost of itself shows it to be false. The case for the prosecution shows, in our opinion, such evident signs of original concoction and after exaggeration and manipulation, that we are unable to hold that any assault at all was committed. We therefore reverse the conviction and sentences and acquit the accused persons.

DECEMBER 21.

(Before the Hon. the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon. Mr. Justice SCOTT.)

Appeals for hearing and final disposal.

613—Little, S, F and N—Dhunjibhoy Cowasji Oomrigur vs. J C Lisboa—Mirza, H K. Part heard.

(Before the Hon. the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon. Mr. Justice BAYLEY.)

628—Shamrao P—Radhabai and others vs Pandurung Jivba Sanjgiri and another—Winter B and B. and Jefferson, B D and K.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BAYLEY.)

Testamentary and Intestate Jurisdiction.

10-88—E Wilkin—Oosman Kudar and another vs Hawabai, wife of Haji Abdul Fazul Mahomed—Tobin and R.—Part heard.

In the matter of the petition of Vinayek Wassudeo and others in Suit No 204-76.

204-76—Mansuklal, D and J—For petitioner—Venayek Wassudeo vs Parmanundas Jewan das—Little, S, F and N Part heard.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes

261-88—Khunderao M—Ramdas Dossa and others vs. Mowji Cullian and another—Little, S F and N—Part heard.

444-88—Mirza,—H K—Motichand Ichhachund vs. Nurrotam Motiram—Jefferson, B, D and K.

406-83—Hore, C and B—Noorbai vs Haji Moosa Haji Hasaum—Jefferson, B D and K.

314-88—Jefferson, B D and K—C A Turner vs Cullianji Amirchund—Hore, C and B.

31-88—Little, S F and N—Tulka Amras and another vs. Abdcol Kadurkhan Valad Karimkhan, &c.—Mirza, H K.

404-88—Mirza H K—Kullianji Moti vs. Hurruckchund Kapoorchund. V Hurrichund.

THE BOMBAY GRADUATES' ASSOCIATION.

A MEETING of resident graduates, under the auspices of the Bombay Graduates' Association, was held on the 18th instant, in the Presidency Association Rooms, under the chairmanship of Dr. R. N. Khory, to consider whether it was desirable for the Association to make any organized movemnnt for the ensuing Municipal election. After some discussion it was resolved that the names of graduate candidates for election received by the secretary should not be given out. Dr. A. D. Mody then proposd, and Mr. Dixit seconded, that "it was the opinion of this meeting that there was no necessity for any organized movement on the part of graduates in connection with the next municipal election as there was a good representation of graduates, both in the ward committees as well as in the selection of candidates. After some discussion Mr. K. R. Cama proposed an amendment which was seconded by Dr. Balchandra, "that the Graduates' Association recommends graduates of our University by their influence to support graduates whom the Ratepayers' Association have or would nominate." Dr. P. S. Shroff proposed another amendment, "that this meeting was of opinion that the graduate voters should return to the Corporation graduate candiates, not ratepayers." On the above amendments being put to the vote, both of them were lost. The proposition of Dr. Mody was passed by a majority. With a vote of thanks to the chairman the meeting was dissolved.

HOME REMITTANCES.

[OFFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.]

Weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury by means of Council Bills :—

Amount to be remitted during 1888-89...	£14,000,000
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COSMIC METEOROLOGY.

MR. G. T. CARRUTHERS, of Sabathu, writes to the *Pioneer* :—

A short time ago there appeared an article in your columns on the subject of rainfall and the influence of the planets in producing it. You speak of it as, at present, little more than a theory advocated in England, but you omit to mention the share that the scientific men of India have had in making such a theory possible. Most important contributions in cosmic meteorology have been made by Mr. F. Chambers, Meteorological Reporter of Bombay. In one valuable paper, Mr. Chambers analysed the readings of the Bombay barometer for 30 years, a most laborious undertaking, and pointed out that from April to October in each year the barometer points to a much lower pressure than during the other six months of the year, and that the variations in pressure follow the variations of light on the sun's surface, the lowest reading of the barometer corresponding to the time in which there are the most spots on the sun's surface. He has also clearly enunciated the theory that the abnormal as well as the normal state of the weather must have its origin in the same cause, and as we all allow that summer and winter are due to the sun's influence, so also we must conclude that drought, that bane of India, and excessive rain have their origin in disturbances in the sun's surface. These views, when presented, were accepted by Mr. Balfour Stewart and other notable physicists of Europe.

I may mention also the names of Brown Blanford, Archibald, Hill, Eliot and. C. Chambers, all engaged in India, as having made important contributions toward showing the connection between cosmic and terrestrial meteorology.

MR. D. W. HERBERT, Assistant Engineer, First Grade, has been allowed twelve months' furlough with the usual subsidiary leave.

MR. A. M. T. JACKSON, having been appointed a member of her Majesty's Covenanted Civil Service on the Bombay Establishment, reported his arrival on the 17th inst., and has been placed under the orders of the Collector of Nasik.

MR. G. W. COTGRAVE, Acting Personal Assistant to the Inspector-General of Police, has been allowed privilege leave for two months. Mr. C. F. G. Lester will act in his absence, while Mr. W. L. Souter will act as District Superintendant of Police in the Panch Mahals District.

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SPEECHDAY AT BISHOP COTTON'S SCHOOL.

WEDNESDAY, the 12th December, saw a large community of those interested in the welfare of Bishop Cotton's School gathered together in the dining-hall to listen to the Head Master's report on the working of the school for the past year, and to enjoy the songs and theatricals which invariably form a portion of the day's doings. The proceedings commenced by the Tyrolean chorus "Swift as a Bird" capitally sung by some thirty of the boys, led by Mr. W. Hodder, one of the masters. The Head Master then made his formal report on the work that had been done, and declared he was fairly satisfied with it, though he hoped for still better results in the future. Five boys of the Primary School had won Government scholarships worth Rs. 5 each per mensem for two years, thus contributing by their own exertions to the cost of their education in a very material manner; one boy of the Middle School had won a scholarship worth Rs. 6 per mensem for two years, and five boys of the Upper School had passed the Calcutta Entrance Examination. In addition to the above one boy had passed the preliminary examination into the Royal Military College at Sandhurst. These results, Mr. Irons added, contrasted very favourably with those obtained in 1887, but he still could not help looking forward to the time when the results of 1888, good as they were, would be surpassed. He then expressed his pleasure at the improved tone perceptible among the boys—more courtesy, polish and consideration for others. He reminded the boys that a school was not the only place where Latin and mathematics could be learned, but that "manners" and the art of dealing courteously with one's fellow-creatures were inculcated with greater—effect in a large school where all classes of boys met together than in a more contracted circle, and it was for this reason that schools were so valuable when there existed in them a good tone, and that nothing was more valuable to boys in their future careers. Mr. Irons then referred to the loss the school had sustained in the retirement of Colonel Mackenzie and Mr. Goad from the governing body, and in the departure of another governor, Colonel Morton, in a few weeks from Simla. The latter, he said, had not only given his advice and assistance on all occasions, but had shown his interest in the school by giving three special prizes, one of Rs. 30 to the best boy of the Upper School, of Rs. 20 to the Middle, and of Rs. 10 to the Lower. The names of the recipients were then called out, and these prizes were given.

Mr. Irons then asked Colonel Morton to give away the other prizes, which consisted of valuable books. Colonel Morton, before giving away the remaining prizes, expressed his regret at the absence, from various reasons, of his colleagues on the governing board on this interesting occasion. He added that it was clear from what had fallen from the Head Master that not only had scholastic successes been won, but that a more healthy tone prevailed in the school, both results being calculated to give parents and guardians greater confidence in sending their sons there, and in being certain that they would be well taught and well fitted for advancement in life. This improvement, he added, could not have been brought about if the school were not in thoroughly good hands, and he was glad of this opportunity of publicly expressing the appreciation of the governors of Mr. Irons' management of the school and their sense of his unwearying devotion to his work in which he had been ably assisted by his staff of masters. Colonel Morton regretted that his connection with the school would be soon severed, but he should always be glad to hear of its welfare, and would carry away with him a very pleasant recollection of his association with it. The prizes were then distributed by him, and each boy as he came up was received with applause by his fellow schoolmates.

A violin duet, admirably rendered by Miss Irons and Herr Carl von Goldstein (a former pupil at the school) was then given, followed by the part song of "Dulce Domum" and a Latin version of "God save the Queen" by the boys' choir and Mr. Hodder.

After an interval for refreshments the curtain rose on the 2nd Act of Sheridan's witty play *The Critic*. Puff, Dangle and Sneer were portrayed by Messrs. B. Stowell, Ellis and F. Rivet, the first named being especially good in his dilineation of the character of the plausible playwright. The scenery, both drop-scene and Tilbury Fort, was the handiwork of Mr. Christopher Stowell, and his skill as a scene painter was greatly appreciated. The dresses of the Elizabethan period were tasteful and correct, and the performance of the play by the boys taking the parts of Lords Burleigh and Leicester, Don Whiskerandos, Sir Walter Raleigh, Tilburina and the nieces afforded the audience great pleasure and amusement, and showed that considerable histrionic ability was to be found even amongst such young actors. The performance concluded with the laughable farce of *Old Gooseberry*, in which the Messrs Stowell and W. Cooper succeeded in sending the audience into roars of laughter.

The party then separated well pleased with their evening's amusement; and your correspondent can only sum up by saying that Bishop Cotton's School appears to be an excellently managed institution, well worthy of the support of the public.—*Pioneer.*

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS.

WE have been asked to give prominence to some information issued by the Congress Reception Committee at Allahabad for the benefit of delegates deputed to attend the approaching Conference. Lowther Castle, formerly Government House, a large building with an extensive compound, has been engaged for the purposes of the gathering. It is situated in the very centre of Allahabad, and is opposite to the Alfred Park. In the house itself, large as it is, there is only accommodation for reading and committee rooms, office, the President, Secretary, and a few other of the office-bearers; hence a large number of tents have been pitched for the accommodation of delegates; and a few ranges of quarters have also been run up in the compound as lodgings for those of the delegates who,coming from the warmer climate of Southen India, may not like to live in tents. The Congress Hall, for the assembly of the delegates, has also been erected in the compound of Lowther Castle. On arrival each delegate will be expected to pay the sum of Rs. 10, as previously arranged with the several Standing Congress Committees, towards the expenses of the Congress. All delegates who live and take their meals in Indian fashion will be furnished with suitable accommodation and board, including the necessary furniture, lights, fuel, etc., without any charge. Delegates who live in European fashion will, in consequence of the much greater expense incurred in providing for their tables,have further to pay two rupees perdiem towards their mess expenses. For their servants, of whom it is hoped that no delegate will bring more than one, delegates must provide food, which can be procured from a sepcial bazaar located for this purpose in the compound of Lowther Castle, where all necessaries of the best available quality will be supplied at the lowest current rates. A dispensary also has been arranged for on the premises, and a doctor will always be in attendance at Lowther Castle in case his services should be required. Every hygienic precaution has been taken, and all the sanitary arrangements are on the most approved footing. A letter-box has been put up at Lowther Castle, and satisfactory postal arrangements have been made. Delegates should give as their postal address—Indian National Congress, Lowther Castle, Allahabad. Delegates will be met at the railway station by deputations of the Reception Committee, and carriages will be provided to bring them and their baggage to Lowther Castle free of charge. Similar arrangements will be made for the return journey. Food and water will be supplied to delegates according to nationality and caste, and anything extra required can be at once procured from the Lowther Castle bazaar. Cooks of all castes and nationalities have been engaged, who will cook for the several messes; but separate rations will be issued to such delegates as may be unwilling to join the general messes. Each delegate will be supplied with all necessary furniture, etc., for each tent or quarters; but those coming from the south are strongly recommended to bring thick razais or warm blankets and warm clothing, and, such as may require them, their own musquito curtains also. Admission to the Congress will be by tickets only. Every subscriber who has paid five rupees or upwards will be entitled as a right to admission on production of his subscription card. Subscribers of less than Rs. 5 and non-subscribers will be admitted on production of tickets signed by the President or Secretary of the Standing Congress Committee of the circle in which they reside. The accommodation for visitors not being unlimited in extent, preference will be given to those who have most zealously co-operated with their Standing Congress Committees in the Congress work. The President of the Reception Committee is, however, empowered to issue, at his discretion, so far as the available accommodation may permit, tickets, in special cases, without reference to the above rules.—*Morning Post.*

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BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

SURGEON-GENERAL W M WEBB, Medical Staff, has been appointed to the office of Surgeon-General, her Majesty's forces in the Bombay Presidency, with effect from the date of his taking up the duties thereof from Surgeon-General Thompson.

The following appointment is made, subject to her Majesty's approval :—

Surgeon-Major D F Hughes, MD, FRCS, Edin, Indian Medical Service, to be Brigade-Surgeon, with effect from the 28th October 1888, vice Brigade-Surgeon G Y Hunter, retired.

The following native promotions are made, with effect from the 13th Dec 1888 :—

14th Bo Inf—Jamadar Vittu Chauhan to be subhedar vice Essu Sawant, pensioned.

Havaldar Lakshiman Gujar to be Jamadar (provisionally), vice Vittu Chauhan, promoted.

The undermentioned honorary Commissioned officer has been permitted by the Secy of State for India to return to duty :—

Deputy Commissary and Honorary Captain C Tyler, Quarter Master General's Department.

With reference to G G O No 539, dated 14th Nov 1888, the extension of leave for two months granted to Surgeon C G W Lowdell, Indian Medical Service, is on urgent private affairs without pay.

Brigade-Surgeon J Davis, Medical Staff, is granted the temporary rank of Deputy Surgeon-General and brought on the strength of her Majesty's Forces in the Bombay Presidency from the 8th Dec 1888, the date of his receiving charge of the office of Deputy Surgeon-General, Mhow District.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

With reference to Section 13 of the Bombay Port Trust Act, 1879, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint E C K Ollivant, Esq, CS, a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Port of Bombay, vice J McLeod Campbell, Esq, deceased.

With reference to Government Notification No 28 of 1887, Mr F A Charles will continue a Trustee in the place vacated by Mr Ollivants' absence for more than twelve months.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Reverend H N Midwinter, M A, Bombay Ecclesiastical Establishment, has been granted by the Secretary of State for India an extension of leave for three months on medical certificate from the 20th January 1889.

The Reverend B Wilkinson, MA, who has been appointed by the Secretary of State for India a Junior Chaplain on the Bombay Ecclesiastical Establishment, is admitted to the Service from the 27th November 1888, the date of his arrival at Aden.

The Reverend B Wilkinson, MA, is appointed Chaplain of Aden.

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS, &c.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Rao Saheb Lalubhai Pranvalabhdas Parikh availed himself on the forenoon of the 20th September 1888 of the privilege leave granted to him in this Department Notification No 5824, dated 29th August 1888, and resumed charge of his duties as British Girassias Agent at Baroda on the 20th October 1888, before office hours.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointments :—

Lieutenant-Colonel H L Nutt to act as First Assistant to the Political Agent, Kathiawar, till further orders.

Captain W B Ferris to act as Second Assistant to the Political Agent, Kathiawar, till further orders.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Under the provisions of Section 7 of Act 24 and 25 Victoria, Chapter 104, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr E T Candy to act as a Judge of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature at Bombay during the absence of the Hon Mr Justice Birdwood, or till further orders.

Azam Kishordas Govandas, Head Karkun of taluka Jambusars in the district of Broach, is appointed to be a Magistrate of the Second Class in that district under section 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, and is invested with the additional powers specified in the fourth schedule to the said Act.

A'zam Gopaldas Kalachand, acting Head Munshi of taluka Mirpur Mathelo in the district of Shikarpur, is appointed to be a Magistrate of the Third Class in that district under Section 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882.

Under the provisions of Section 28 of Act XIV of 1869 (The Bombay Civil Courts Act) Rao Saheb Dattatraya Ganesh Medhekar, Joint Subordinate Judge of Dhulia in the Khandesh District, is invested, within the local limits of his ordinary jurisdiction, with the powers of a Judge of a Court of Small Causes for the trial of suits cognizable by such Courts up to the amount of Rupees 50.

Mr C B Winchester, Magistrate of the First Class, is, under Section 13 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, appointed to be the

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 20.

As usual at this season of the year a holiday feeling has been noticeable in commercial as in other circles, fostered, in the case of export business, by the absence of any impetus from the other side. A good local demand has given activity to our Cotton Market for a day or two ; but otherwise the tone has been quiet, and prices have latterly given way a little. There was also a renewal of inquiry for Wheat and Seeds towards the close of last week, which, however, soon subsided, and business became quiet again in that direction. Following the downward movement in Silver at home, Exchange has been weak and declining, and, further adversely influenced by Council allotments in London yesterday, rates are 3-32d. lower than our quotations of last Thursday evening for Bank Bills and 1-16d. for 3 months' sight Credits ; transactions, however, have been on a most limited scale during the greater part of the week. Government Paper has moved upwards, Fours having advanced ¼ per cent. from our last quotation. Freights have been firm, but without much doing, and tonnage continues scarce, especially in near positions. Business in Imports continues to about the same extent as during the preceding week, with prices generally on the previous level.

MONEY.—The weekly statement of the Presidency Bank issued on Monday showed a somewhat unexpected decrease in the Bank's Cash Balance of 19¼ lakhs, and though this was mainly due to a heavy increase in Bills discounted, while the expansion in the trade demand was represented by over 14 lakhs, these figures need not necessarily be taken as indicating approaching lightness in the general market, of which, indeed, there are, so far, no particular signs, but may well be due to special circumstances in connection with the approaching holidays, during which the Bank and other financial establishments will be closed for some days. Anyhow the directors of the Bank of Bombay have not thought it worth while to make any alteration in their rates on the eve of the holidays, and the minimum remanis at 7 per cent. per annum.

EXCHANGE continued fairly steady at our quotations of last Thursday evening on the following day, though, at closing, the feeling was, if anything, a shade quieter. Three months' sight credits were quoted at 1s. 4⅜d. to March and at 1s. 4 19-32d. for April-May delivery ; and demand Bank Bills were available to the end of April at 1s. 4 13-32d. ; while Bank Telegraphic was done, for April transfer, at 1s. 4⅜d. The week closed with a quiet feeling at previous quotations all round, but with hardly sufficient business doing to test the market. Current rates were named for forward Credits to March, and 1-32d less thereafter ; but very few Merchants' Bills came out. Opening on Monday morning at Saturday's closing rates, and with a very languid feeling as to business, the market was almost stagnant, and closed without any change, a transaction in Bank Wire transfer at 1s. 4⅜d. having been about all that was done. On Tuesday, with silver lower at home, this market opened weaker, with rates partially 1-32d. below the previous evening's quotations. There were buyers of 3 months' sight Credits at 1s. 4 19-32d. to March and at 1s. 4 9-16d. thereafter to May ; but there was very little doing on this line or in Bank remittance, which was quoted ready and forward at the same rates. The feeling was quiet and weak again yesterday, and a further decline of 1-16d. took place, following a fresh drop in Silver on the other side. Few Mercantile Bills came out at 1s. 4 9-16d., which was the rate for ready and forward Credits. Some Bank Telegraphic was done for May-June transfer at 1s. 4 5-16d., and a little private Demand was sold at 1s. 4 13-32d. This morning, with news of a further drop of 1-16d. in Silver, and of Council Bills having gone at 1s. 4¼d., this market opened weak again at a further decline, and Mercantile Bills came out to a very fair extent. At closing, however, the tone had become steadier, owing to a steady feeling in Calcutta, and higher rates in China ; and our final rates for ready business were as follows, with forward Credits quoted at 1s. 4 17-32d. for March-May delivery and Bank Telegraphic at 1s. 4 5-16d. for February transfer.

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 4	5-16d.	per rupee
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 4	9-32d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight ...	1s. 4	7-16d.	"
Do. 4 do.	1s. 4	4½d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 4	19-32d.	"
Credits 3 do.	1s. 4	9-16d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 4	23-32d.	"
Documents. 3 do.	1s. 4	19-32d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 4	4¾d.	"
Francs 3 do.	1·75		"
Do. 5 do.	1·76½		"

The weekly official statement relating to Silver at the Mint gives the following figures :—

	Rs.
Value of Silver in the Mint on 5th Dec. 1888	25,52,160
Silver received during the week	1,95,038
	27,57,238
New coin paid during the week	7,00,394
	20,56,834
Bullion belonging to private individuals	15,93,722
	36,50,556
Last week	25,87,703

GOVERNMENT PAPER showed a firmer feeling on last mail-day, and the cash rate for four per cents, which was at one time quoted at 97½, advanced to 97⅝, with the account rates, which were in the morning called 97 7-16 and 97 5-16 for January and February, respectively, proportionately higher. Next day, following Calcutta, this market opened with a much stronger feeling, and rates for Fours were quoted at 97 11-16 both for cash and the next account, and at 97⅝ for February, with buyers at the rates on all lines. On Monday, the position established on Saturday was rather more than maintained, and at one time 97¾ to 13-16 was quoted for Fours for Money, and 97 11-16 for the next account; but at closing 97¾ was the cash rate, with 97⅞ quoted for the January and February accounts, business having been done at those rates ; and although the same rates were named for fours throughout the day, on Tuesday the market was decidedly weaker in tone, and little business transpired. Four per cents. were firmer yesterday, the cash price having been quoted at 97 13-16 ; with the January and February accounts at 97¾ and 97 11-16, respectively, until near the close, when 1-16 per cent. lower was named again The feeling was firm again to-day, and the next account was at one time done at 97 13-16 ; but the rate was not maintained and the market closed with a quieter tone, Fours being quoted for cash, and the coming account at 97¾. and February at 97 11-16. The nominal rate for 4½ per cents has varied from 103 to 103¼ during the week, the latter being the closing quotation.

Five per cent Municipal Bonds are unchanged at 106¾, but Trust Bonds are a half per cent. higher, at 96½.

SHARES.—There has been an intermittent enquiry in this market during the past week, but the feeling with regard to the principal item of Mill Scrip has, on the whole, been in favour of holders ; and though there have been a good many fluctuations in price on days when business was more active, our quotations this evening do not show many changes from those of a week ago. Ripon Mill shares have advanced Rs. 15 ; Queen, Luckmidas Khimji, and James Greaves, Rs. 10 each ; Presidency, Howard and Bullough, David, and Coloba Land and Mill, Rs. 5 each ; and Mazagon, Rs. 2½. Imperial, on the other hand, have declined Rs. 15 ; Manockji Petit, Rs. 10 ; and Oriental and Jewraj Baloo, Rs. 5 each. French Press shares are Rs. 25 higher, and Prince of Wales Press are Rs. 15 up. Khangaum Press have declined Rs. 25 ; New Berar, Rs. 10 ; and Mofussil, Rs. 2½. Bank of Bombay shares are Rs. 2½ lower ; Bank of Madras have advanced Rs. 10. Bombay-Burma Trading are Rs. 50 down for the first issue and Rs. 5 for the third. Prince of Wales Fire shares are Rs. 50 lower. In miscellaneous concerns, Treacher and Co. have advanced Rs. 5 and Kemp and Co. Rs. 6 ; Badham and Co. are Rs. 2 higher, Cooper, Madon are Rs. 5 down. Port Canning shares are Rs. 5 lower.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—On the whole the market for *Grey Goods* has undergone no change worth mentioning, and rates have been firmly maintained during the past week at their previous level. The Manchester Market is reported to be firmer in respect of early deliveries of Indian makes of cloth, which strengthens the position of holders ; and though up-country buyers are operating in only a hand-to-mouth way, stocks on the spot are still moderate. In *Bleached*, *Turkey Red*, *Dyed* and *Printed Goods* there has been no movement to call for remark, and prices may be taken as generally unchanged. The sales for the week are again put down at 3,500 packages. This is the busiest time of the year for *Local Goods*, but demand has only sufficed to meet production. The tone of the market has been steady, and the off-take is estimated at about 2,000 bales.

YARNS.—We have no change to report in the position of *Imported Twist*, in which a moderate business continues to be done at previous prices, and in a quiet market China sales of *Local Spinnings* for the fortnight ending on Monday last amounted to 7,500 bales, with exchange the same as before ; and this small increase in the volume of business, compared with the week before stimulated buyers to pay 1-32 anna higher on Tuesday, but the improvement was not maintained for more than twenty-four hours, and the market closes quiet with a downward tendency at the following official quotations, the week's business being estimated at 2,000 bales.

Twist...	...No. 6s	Mule,	As. 4⅞ to 5 1-16	per lb
" ...	... " 8s	"	" 5⅛ to 5¼	"
" ...	... " 10s	"	" 5⅛ to 5¼	"
" ...	... " 12s	"	" 5⅛ to 5¼	"
" ...	... " 16s	"	" 6⅛ to 6¼	"
" ...	... " 20s	"	" 6⅛ to 6 15-16	"
" ...	... " 24s	"	" 7 to 7 3-16	"
" ...	... " 30s	"	" 7⅛ to 8	"

METALS.—*Copper* has been firm, and prices have advanced 4 annas to Re 1 per cwt ; but the higher rates have checked business, and few transactions have taken place. *Yellow Metal* is also half a rupee per cwt. higher for *Sheeting*, the market being steady at the advance, but without much doing. *Iron* is unaltered in value, and in slight demand, but steady at our quotations.

Coals are firm and advancing owing to the high outward Freight ruling at home, and to the rise in the price of the mineral at the collieries from one to two shillings a ton. Powell's Duffryn Cardiff having advanced from 11s to 12s 3d, and Davison's West Hartley from 9s to 9s 9d per ton ; and under these circumstances there does not seem much prospect of getting cheap Coal here. Large sales have been reported during the week of Powell's Duffryn Cardiff on the Bunder, at Rs. 27 ; and for January shipment at Rs. 24½ per ton ; of Davison's West Hartley, December-January shipment, at Rs. 21½, and February March at Rs. 21 per ton : and a cargo of Longrigg, December shipment, was placed at Rs. 20¾ per ton. There are more buyers in the market at the above rates ; but sellers are now asking half a rupee more, say for Powell's Duffryn Cardiff, February-March shipment, Rs. 24 per ton.

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—This market continued quiet in tone, but with prices fairly steady, for some days after last mail left, with little enquiry from any quarter and few transactions reported ; but on Tuesday, although advices from Liverpool and New York were of an encouraging tenor, a good demand arose, leading to a considerable business, which increased on the following day in a weak market, with prices Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy lower all round. The principal buyers have been local spinners, whose requirements have to be met irrespective of outside influences, and who, unlike exporters, are not necessarily guided by the course of the ruling markets for the staple. Ready new Oomra descriptions have been taken to the largest extent, principally Jalgaum, at Rs. 208-14½, according to quality ; Dhulia, at Rs. 203 ; Pachora, at Rs. 203½-5 ; and Chalisgaum, at Rs. 198. A good deal of Bengal, of various qualities, has also changed hands at Rs. 176-96 per candy. A few lots of old stuff, consisting of Pachora, at Rs. 180 ; Compta, at Rs. 170-80 ; and Dhollera, at Rs. 188½-92 have also found buyers. In arrival business, contracts are reported in "Fine" Broach, for February delivery, at Rs. 236-238, and in "Good" for March, at Rs. 228½ ; also in "Fully Good" Dhollera for April delivery, at Rs. 210 per candy. The market closed steady this evening with prices generally Rs. 2 to Rs. 3 below our quotations by last mail

The arrivals of new Cotton during the past week were 34,000 bales, or nearly twice as much as came forward at the corresponding time last season ; and the excess in receipts of the new crop this year as against last has now, as will be seen from the figures which we give below, reached nearly 66,500 bales.

The weather and crop news conveyed by the Chambers' telegraphic summary at the beginning of the week confirmed the generally favourable advices previously to hand. Picking had become general in the Broach district, but dry winds were prevalent ; while at Bhownaggar, where the plants were flourishing, as in other districts of the Dhollera circle, picking of the first sowing had partially begun. All was going on well in the Bengal and Oomrawattee circles, and in the Oomra district of the latter, arrivals were increasing and a larger crop than last year's was looked for. The advices since to hand report the presence of black leaf in the Ghat Cotton now arriving at Khangaum, and that the plants in the Hubli districts of Dharwar were suffering from cold winds ; but in other respects the position was unchanged, and in parts of the Dhollera circle picking had commenced.

The following are to-day's quotations for full pressed cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost and Freight to Liverpool *via* Canal without commission, viz :—

New Cotton—	Per candy.	Per lb. C & F
Bengal, Fully Good	Rs. 186 =	4d.
Do. Good.	" 179 =	3 27-32d.
Belatee, Fully Good	" 202 =	4 5-16.
Khandeish, Fully Good	" 208 =	4 7-16d.
Do. Good	" 201 =	4 9-32d.
Hingunghaut, Fully Good	" 225 =	4 25-32d.
Bengal, Fine (Jan.)	" 193 =	4d.
Do. Fully Good "	" 181 =	3 29-32d.
Do. Good "	" 171 =	3 11-16d.
Khandesh, Fully Good (Feb.-March)	" 205 =	4d.
Do. Good	" 200 =	4 9-32d.
Broach Fine (March)	" 237 =	5 1-32d.
Do. Fully Good "	" 232 =	4 29-32d.
Do. Good "	" 222 =	4 27-32d.
Oomra, Fully Good (Good Staple) "	" 214 =	4 9-16d.
Do. Good "	" 206 =	4 13-32d.
S. G. Dharwar, Good " May "	" 206 =	4 13-32d.
Westerns Good "	" 200 =	4 9-32d.
Dhollera Fine (May)"	" 221 =	4 11-16d.
Do. Fully Good "	" 210 =	4 15-32d.
Do. Good "	" 201 =	4 9-32d.

The arrivals of New Cotton into Bombay this season as compared with last are as follows :—

	Season. 1888-89. Bales.	Season. 1887-88. Bales.
Bengals	30,800	20,500
Berar	39,400	10,000
Khandesh	34,000	16,000
Hingunghaut	8,800	60
	1,13,000	48,560

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the two previous years :—

Receipts.	1888.	1887.	1886.
For the Week	38,403	22,957	32,367
From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec. ..	1,430,563	1,567,656	1,549,501
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the Week	3,175	2,479	3,955
From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec. ..	873,470	1,097,665	1,045,608
Clearances to Calcutta, China, &c.			
For the Week	343	2,354	323
From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec. ..	46,001	60,652	52,640

WHEAT.—A considerable business took place in this market on last mail day, and the tone became firm in presence of the renewed demand, and prices of Pessy and White Delhi advancing to Rs. 5-3-6 and Rs. 5-2-6 per cwt. for the former of the two qualities, respectively, and to Rs. 4-14-0 to Rs. 4-14-6 per cwt. for the latter. The movement was not sustained, however, and though the tone of the market has since been generally steady, and prices have not changed, only a moderate business has been done from day to day.

SEEDS.—A good enquiry for *Linseed* also was felt towards the close of last week, and a considerable business was reported ; but an advance in prices checked transactions and the market became much quieter until yesterday when demand improved again, and a good deal was done. This evening we quote Rs. 6-13-6 to Rs. 6-15-6 for ready seed. Other descriptions have been in but little request, and rates are about the same as they were a week ago.

The Comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows :—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat—For the week	165,629	59,467	221,665
" From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec..	11,662,939	9,993,499	13,380,092
Linseed—For the week	22,761	41,267	32,636
" From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec.	2,844,571	2,511,139	3,757,457
Rapeseed—For the week	20,734	3,707	14,050
" From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec.	2,076,333	918,537	1,277,811
Gingelly Seed for the week	35,507	47,841	57,693
" From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec.	930,168	1,368,814	1,462,558

The Clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows :—

Wheat—For the week	173,939	107,379	220,015
From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec.	9,493,899	9,179,254	11,856,223
Linseed—For the week	154,705	53,513	34,755
" From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec.	2,700,611	2,374,491	3,525,152
Rapeseed—For the week	41,490	123	11,579
From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec.	1,351,851	1,037,711	1,477,186
Gingelly Seed—For the week	18,511	61,063	22,030
" From 1st Jan. to 19th Dec.	763,101	1,503,021	1,189,583

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THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BIRTHS.

BARNES—December 16, at Bellary, the wife of G Barnes of a daughter.
LINTON—December 14, at Sialkot, the wife of Surgeon-Major Linton, of a son,

DEATHS.

McGOWAN—December 16, at Lahore, Florence, infant daughter of Walter and Marion McGowan, aged 1 year.
PETRUSE—December 12, at Lahore, Robert David, the beloved son of David and Martha Petruse, aged 2 years and 23 days.

The Bombay Gazette
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1888.

THE lamentable loss of the Vaiturna will not be an unmixed calamity if it lead the Government of India to consider seriously whether they are rightly acquitting themselves of their responsibility by degrading the meteorological service of Western India when plain and urgent indications call upon them to pursue the precisely opposite policy. They cannot ignore the finding of the court which inquired into the loss of the ship. That finding, the independence and impartiality of which cannot be called into question, is an unintentional, and for that reason all the more weighty, condemnation of the resolution which the Government came to some months since. For the safety of life at sea—a consideration in the presence of which departmental jealousies and ambitions are of no account—the meteorological service of Western India, instead of being degraded, needs to be enlarged and strengthened, a wider range of observations needs to be brought within its reach, and the obstacles to promptitude in the communication of storm-warnings need to be removed forthwith. The Government of India must show that the Vaiturna Court of Inquiry are hopelessly at fault in the view they have taken of this matter, or they must repair the serious deficiencies in the equipment and working of the department which the enquiry has revealed. If they persist now in their intention to degrade the whole-time Reportership to a local Reportership—to replace a scientific man of European reputation by a species of chief clerk—they will be sinning against light, and sinning against light in a matter in which the safety of human life is concerned is an offence which we have no desire to characterize. A correspondent who addressed us on this subject on Monday suggested that the Government should be asked to publish the proposals which Mr. Frederick Chambers made to them for increasing the efficiency of the local service, and the minute in which they were rejected. There is, however, a good deal of information before the public which will meanwhile serve to indicate the weakness of the position which the central office has occupied in regard to this matter. Of authoritative official evidence as to the deficiency of the present system of storm-warnings on this coast there is no lack. The latest Administration Report of the Government of Bombay plainly declares that the data furnished to the local Meteorological Office are "too incomplete to be of much value." In 1885-86 we were told on the same authority that "the brevity of the reports makes them of little value." In 1884-85 the Bombay Government reported that the daily telegrams received from the eight stations on the West Coast of India and from three on the Coromandel side "do not furnish sufficient data to make it possible to draw satisfactory weather charts, and hence anything like a complete view of the meteorological conditions of the area which is supposed to be protected cannot be obtained from them. To remedy this deficiency in some measure the office is empowered to call for special reports from additional stations whenever the regular daily reports show that a disturbance is in existence ; but the time lost in calling for and preparing and sending in these reports causes information to be of but little value." Evidence to the same effect of by no means inferior authority has been tendered more than once by the Bombay Port Trust. In their recently issued Administration Report, the Trustees observed that the intimation of the approach of the cyclone in January last not being sufficiently early resulted in the loss of a great amount of valuable property. In 1882 the Trustees observed that it appeared highly desirable, in the interests of trade, that the few extra inland stations required to enable the Meteorological Reporter to determine accurately the direction and magnitude of the barometric gradient, and to furnish exact information, should be established. The memorials on the subject of the Meteorological Reportership which were sent to the Government of India a few months since by the Bombay Chamber of Commerce and the Port Trust were in the same sense, and they make it exceedingly difficult to understand why Mr. Eliot, the acting head of the Department, assumed that the storm-warning system on this coast had worked to the satisfaction of the Port authorities and the mercantile public. The truth is that the Government of Bombay, the Port Trustees, the mercantile community, and the public in general are exceedingly discontented with the working of the system, and that the prevailing discontent has been heightened now that nearly eight hundred lives have been lost which might have been saved had the system been prompt and reasonably efficient. The receipt in Bombay on the 9th of November of indications which might have been available on the 7th, and the loss in a cyclone of a steamer which could have been warned in time to prevent her sailing had the meteorological service been supplied with the information for which the local Government and others have unavailingly asked for eight years past, are somewhat alarming illustrations of a system which somehow or other they believe at Simla to be highly efficient.

Let us see, however, what the Department has to say for its determination to keep down the Bombay office. Economical considerations are, of course, put in the front place. Mr. Chambers, it is alleged, made proposals last year practically identical with some submitted nine years ago, and which would have involved a yearly increase of his budget grant for storm-warning work from about Rs. 8,800 to Rs. 23,000. Now, since it is admitted that the scheme would have entailed only a slight increase of the office staff, it follows that the bulk of the Rs 13,200 of new expenditure would have gone in telegrams ; in other words, in a transfer of so many rupees a year from the Meteorological Department to the Department of Telegraphs. And this, properly speaking, is not expenditure at all. So much for the economical objection to a scheme for reducing the risks to life and property at sea. Mr. Eliot observes that unless the strongest reason could be assigned for such an arrangement it can only be considered an expensive arrangement to have the same work done over in two different offices. But it is not part of any scheme that we have heard of for working out, with the necessarily augmented data, the storm-warnings for the Bombay coast, that Simla should duplicate the work of Bombay, and Mr. Eliot's observation can be interpreted only as a presumption that the supremacy of Simla is on no account to be disturbed. Mr. Chambers is credited with having expressed the opinion that "with the arrangements then in force" the Bombay ports could be more effectively warned from Simla than from Bombay. As Mr. Chambers's communications with the head of his department are not printed in the report, it is difficult to make this account of his views fit in with the account that is given of his scheme of reorganization. If Mr. Chambers is of opinion that Simla, being in direct communication with over a hundred stations, is in a better position to prepare storm-warnings than Bombay, which is in direct communication with only eleven, his view of the matter is intelligible enough. As the case is stated, however, it looks like a not very ingenuous attempt to put Mr. Chambers into the witness-box against his own case. This is almost as unsatisfactory a feature in Mr. Eliot's apology as the plea that "the Port authorities at Bombay and the Bombay Government have been apparently satisfied hitherto with the present arrangments." As we have shown, the Bombay Government and the Port Trustees have lost no opportunity of expressing their profound dissatisfaction with it.

It seems a pity to have to say it, but there is much looseness of assertion in that part of the report in which an excuse is offered for not giving the Bombay office its right place in the meteorological system. The case for increased centralization of the work of the Department at Simla is supported by a reference to the fact that all the ports in the United Kingdom are warned from London, as though there were any parallel between the geographical relation of Simla to Bombay and that of London to any British or Irish port. When it is asserted that all the seaports of the United States, the Pacific as well as the Atlantic ports, are warned from Washington, it can only be said that the statement lacks the accuracy which we look for in Government reports. The weather forecasts for the Pacific coast are worked out and issued twice a day at San Francisco, the mania for circumlocution not having sufficiently possessed the mind of American meteorologists to make one side of a continent dependent upon a remote station on the other side for information as to what its cold weather was to be. A study of the last report of the Chief Signal Officer of the United States Army would have made Mr. Eliot hesitate to call in aid foreign examples in justification of meteorological centralization. Thus General Greeley observes that the plan of limiting prediction to States instead of larger arbitrary districts has proved most satisfactory, and he gives reasons for the belief that the local meteorological experts can make local predictions with the greater accuracy than they can be made at the Central Office at Washington. The American Meteorological Department seem, however, to set more store than they do at Simla upon promptitude in forecasting. Some of the State organizations, General Greeley says, have been most useful to their different localities "in promoting the rapid and extended distribution of the indications to such communities as otherwise would receive them too late for current practical benefit." In accordance with the policy here endorsed, the Washington authorities, at the time the report was issued, were considering a scheme for stationing an "indications officer" for cold wave warnings at St. Paul's, Minnesota, who could receive his reports on an average an hour earlier than in Washington, and would be enabled to send out warnings of cold waves in that section from two to five hours earlier than has hitherto been possible. If it was worth while to appeal to American example in this matter it was certainly worth while to bring these facts in evidence ; for they show that the eminently practical people of the United States are doing in regard to their meteorological service precisely what public opinion is urging the Government of India to do. If the Meteorological Department were a mere statistical bureau Simla would do as well as any other place for the collection and distribution of information, though we might name places more conveniently inaccessible. But its work, to be worth anything at all, must be prompt, and promptitude, as the case of the Vaiturna shows, is one of the qualities in which the service, as at present organized, is chiefly deficient. Of other and serious defects in the Department we may find occasion to speak later. Meanwhile we leave the public to consider first the appalling results of its inefficiency as revealed in the recent inquiry and then the fact that the meteorological service of Western India is at this moment in charge of a gentleman temporarily brought in from the Telegraph Department, who, whatever his other qualifications, makes no pretension to even a rudimentary knowledge of meteorology.

Beaumarchais must have had a dim prevision of this when he wrote his famous phrase :—"*Tallait un calculateur, ce fut un danseur qui l'obtint*," *ex* 12.

IT sometimes happens in a London crowd that a wayfarer lays hold of a strange hand which has strayed into his pocket, and while he is still wondering who may be the owner of the five intrusive fingers, his doubts are set at rest by the words "Please, sir, it isn't me !" We have had a somewhat similar experience in Bombay within the last few days. A tissue of spiteful nonsense in the shape of a letter appeared in a contemporary's leader columns last Saturday. It seemed to every candid reader that the unmannerly epistle was not wholly unconnected with the manœuvres of certain mischief-makers and marplots who had done their little best to prevent any address being presented to the retiring Viceroy, and we said so with our usual frankness. Just as the next friend of the London boy whose hand has been found in one's pocket eagerly cries out "Oh, please, sir, it wasn't him !" a contemporary assures us that the writer of the letter was not Major Selby, but another—a public man equally interested in public affairs ! We spoke of a puny marplot and Major Selby's friends hasten to assure us that it was quite another man who had a hand in the business ! Who is the other man ? Who is he who speaks the Major's sentiments, and uses his pet phrases full of sound and fury, while signifying nothing in particular ? If the murder were not done by Mr. Hyde, was it by Dr. Jekyll ? The attempt to plead an *alibi* is weak but amusing. "He had not even, as a matter of fact, taken any part whatever in the addresses to the Viceroys, and was absent at Mahableshwar when the addresses were agreed to !" Our contemporary is very well posted as to the whereabouts of Major Selby. But who said that the marplot had taken "any part in the addresses to the Viceroys ?" What he did was his little utmost to prevent any addresses being given at all. He was not, so far as we know, in Mahableshwar when the addresses were read, but he thought it necessary to inform the Members of the Corporation that he was not present on either occasion. This statement, which was, no doubt, true, has significance when an attempt is made to conceal the identity as well as the name of the writer of a letter which the writer, whoever he be, is ashamed to own.

WHILE Mr. Scoble's Bill for the adaptation to India of the Merchandize Marks Act is under consideration it is interesting to learn that the importers of fraudulent goods are not having it all their own way. The Sea Customs Act, in sub-section *d* of section 18, prohibits the entrance into British India of "articles bearing any names, brands, or marks being, or purporting to be, the names, brands, or marks of manufacturers resident in the United Kingdom or British India, and not made by such manufacturers." Recently this section has been put into operation against two peculiarly impudent attempts to cheat the public. In one case a lot of Swiss watches, shipped at Genoa, were discovered by the vigilance of the Bombay Customs authorities with the name of a well-known Liverpool maker on the dial ; in the other case an attempt to pass off watches, also Swiss, and also shipped at Genoa, as by one of the leading London makers, was frustrated, and one importer was fined Rs. 500 and the other Rs. 100. The Vienna trade journal which wrote so dolefully the other day about the obstacles which the proposed law would put in the way of swindling importers had better make a note of these cases. If this class of traders think they ought to make hay while the sun shines, they had better be careful. The law can already reach them, and the Customs authorities can deal with fraudulent importations which purport to be British goods without waiting for the enactment of Mr. Scoble's Bill, which purposes chiefly to extend to the foreign manufacturers the protection which the Sea Customs Act affords only to British.

THE important meeting of the Bombay Millowners' Association has been reported at great length in our columns, but there is not one word in the proceedings which anyone interested in the prosperity of our local industry will regard as superfluous. Considering that the meeting was confined to the representatives of an interest who had met to defend themselves against a singularly unwarrantable attack, the moderation and dispassionate fairness with which the case for the Bombay mill industry was stated is remarkable. Care has been taken that Lancashire shall be fully informed of the answer that has been given to the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, and we shall be surprised if even in Manchester it is not admitted that the case of the Chamber has been torn to rags. No attempt that was ever made to influence the Legislature was entered upon with a more reckless disregard of realities or with more obvious indications of insincerity.

TOWARDS the fund in aid of the sufferers by the loss of the Vaiturna, which has now assumed considerable proportions H. H. the Rao of Cutch generously forwards a cheque for Rs. 1,000. This contribution is sent "as a token of H. H.'s sympathy with those sufferers from the loss of their relatives in the sad calamity who belong to territories other than Cutch," H. H. having already provided for his own subjects. So soon as the casualty to the Vaiturna became too certain, H. H. the Rao ordered steps to be taken to seek out in his own State those whom he could in any way console or relieve, and for this purpose the necessary steps are being taken by the Cutch Darbar.

THE splendid band of the Russian man-of-war—H. I. M. S. Rynda—played a selection of music last evening in the garden of the Royal Yacht Club, to the great pleasure of a large number of ladies and gentlemen who testified their approval by hearty applause. The Austrian Imperial Hymn, the Sultan Hamid's March, and the Russian Anthem were given, as well as God save the Queen.

TELEGRAMS.

THE MAGAZINE RIFLE AT SUAKIN.

SUAKIN, Dec. 19.

General Grenfell has made a reconnaissance towards Handoub, but saw only a few of the enemy.

The attack by the garrison on the enemy's position is imminent.

The Scottish Borderers are armed with the new Magazine Rifle, which they are using with telling effect on the rebels.

THE FRENCH SENATE AND GENERAL BOULANGER.

PARIS, Dec. 19.

In the Senate to-day, M. Challemel-Lacour made a speech, in which he implored the Right to combine with the Left, and save France from Boulangism. Thereupon the members of the Senate rose in a body and cheered.

M. Floquet, the Premier, promised to legislate in the matter should the necessity arise.

COMPLETE VICTORY BY GENERAL GRENFELL'S FORCES.

ROUT OF THE ENEMY.

SUAKIN, Dec. 20.

General Grenfell, with a combined force of four thousand men, this morning attacked and stormed the rebel redoubts. Our loss was slight, but the enemy lost over one thousand men. The victory was complete half an hour after the position was attacked. A cavalry charge completed the rout of the enemy, who retreated to Hasheen and Tamai. General Grenfell now occupies the enemy's works.

THE SERVIAN ELECTIONS.

BELGRADE, Dec. 19.

The elections for the Servian Grand Skuptschina have resulted in an overwhelming majority for the Radical or anti-Austrian party.

THE TROOPING SERVICE.

ISMAILIA, Dec. 19

The Indian troopship Crocodile has passed the Canal outward bound to Bombay.

MILITARY TRANSPORT ON INDIAN RAILWAYS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 20.

A small conference, to consider certain questions connected with Military Transport on Indian Railways, will shortly assemble in Calcutta.

THE EAST COAST RAILWAY.

Sir Guildford Molesworth, Consulting Engineer to Government for State Railways, is now making a reconnaissance from Bezwada northwards through Vizagapatam to see if the scheme for the East Coast Railway is feasible.

PROVINCIAL FINANCE CONFERENCE.

The Provincial Financial Committee are now taking up the big question of the contracts between the Provincial and Imperial Governments.

EXPEDITION AGAINST THE LUSHAIS.

The Lushai Expeditionary Force will probably consist of 2 guns of a Bombay Mountain Battery, 400 of the 2nd Gurkhas from Dehra, the 2nd Bengal Infantry from Dinapore, a company of the Madras Sappers, and 200 of the Madras Pioneers.

INDIAN MIDLAND RAILWAY.

Colonel Conway Gordon shortly inspects the Indian Midland Railway. It is not thought that the Government of India will raise any objection to the opening of the line on the 1st January.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT GADAG.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

GADAG, Dec. 19.

A grand prize distribution ceremony, in a specially erected pavilion, near the Municipal Hall, was held to-day, under the presidency of Mr. Sorabji, Assistant Collector. The leading officials, merchants, municipal commissioner, and pleaders, were present, and great interest was evinced in the proceedings. The boys and girls recited poems and songs in several languages. Mrs. Sorabji distributed the prizes to the girls, and Mr. Sorabji to the boys. Mr. Jalihal, the Head Master, merits the thanks of the inhabitants for his able management of the English school, and Rao Sahib Radda, the Deputy Inspector, in an able speech, referred to the importance of education, and remarked on the satisfactory progress of the schools. The President's address was eloquent and impressive. The distribution of *pan supari*, and a vote of thanks, terminated the proceedings.

POONA GYMKHANA RACES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Dec. 20.

A very successful Gymkhana Race meeting was held here this afternoon. The attendance was fairly good, and the various events well-contested. The following are the results :—

THE PONY CUP HANDICAP FOR ALL ARAB AND C.B's.

Capt Hanwell's, Barnacles, Dr Burroughs ... 1
Mr Edward's, Cyclone, Owner 2
Mr Burney's, Bangalore, Mr Kennard 3

THE ARAB AND COUNTRY BRED STAKES.

Dr Bull's, Bulrush, Mr Melton..... 1
Capt Payne's, Warrior, Mr England 2
Mr Drury's, Mikado, Mr Grier..... 3

THE SUBALTERN'S CUP.

Capt Hanwell's, Barnacles, Owner 1
Mr Burney's, Bangalore, Owner..... 2
Capt Capel-Cure's, Grimcrack, Owner..... 3

THE SELLING RACE.

Mr Edward's, Cyclone, Owner.....
Capt Rossiter's, Pat, Capt Payne... } dead heat
Mr Scoone's, Confidence, Mr England..... 3

A match was arranged between Mr. Edward's Conway, and Mr. England's Dewdrop, but owing to the lateness of the hour, it had to be postponed till Saturday, when Cyclone and Pat will also run off their heat.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macintosh arrived here this morning.

SINGAPORE, Dec. 19.

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer Berenice, from Hongkong, left yesterday for Bombay.

COLOMBO, Dec. 19.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Thames, with China and Australian mails, left here for Bombay at noon to-day.

ADEN, Dec. 20.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Kaisar-i-Hind, with homeward Indian mails of 14th inst., arrived here at 11 p.m. yesterday.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet.

Good Fair Dhollera	4⅜

The Manchester Market has been steady.

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight	1-4 1-16d.
2½ per cent. Consols for account ...	96⅛
3 per cent. French Rentes	82½
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	98½
4½ per cent. „	70⅝
3 per cent. Sterling Loan	104½
Bar Silver	42⅛

THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE CORPORATION.

THE weekly meeting of the Standing Committee was held on Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Dossabhoy Framjee in the chair. There were present Sir Henry Morland, the Hon. Mr. R. M. Sayani, Col. Merewether, Dr. Waters, Major Selby, Messrs. Javerilal U. Yajnik, R. N. Khote, and Dr. Cowasjee Hormusjee. Mr. D. Bennett, who is to act for Mr. Barron shortly, was also present.

THE MALABAR HILL AND BHANDARWADA RESERVOIRS.

The first item for consideration was a report of the sub-committee on the question of the leakage of the above reservoirs, from which it appears that the works that should be taken in hand at once are those included in Division A, namely :—

MALABAR HILL RESERVOIR.

1. Turbine and centrifugal pump, for supplying to high section.
2. Overflow and sludge pipes,
3. Alteration to inlet of direct delivery main,
4. Cushions for outlet of filters.
5. Repairs junction of skewbacks, south wall,
6. Re-pointing inner faces of wall,

together with item 14 of Division B of the list of works submitted by the Acting Municipal Commissioner to this sub-committee, namely :—

VEHAR FILTERS.

14. Balancing Reservoir, one million gallons capacity.

These works are urgently needed for improving the inlet and outlet, and for stopping the leakage of Malabar Hill Reservoir, for stopping the leakage of Bhandarwada Reservoir, and for equalizing the demand and supply at Vehar filters.

The works thus provided for should be taken in hand together as soon as practicable, and for the reason that it is necessary for convenience of arrangements in connection with the supply of water that the works should be undertaken piece-meal, and it will thus be an advantage to proceed with the works at both reservoirs at the same time.

The works in the Bhandarwada Reservoir are as numbered on the report under Division A.

7. Pointing walls of filters in neat cement.
8. Pointing walls of filter where plaster is damaged.
9. Removing and placing filtering materials.
10. 6 in. Portland cement concrete on floor of filters.
11. Portland cement concrete walls on inside and outside of distributing basin.
12. Pointing inner face of storage basin walls in neat cement.

The abstract estimate, showing the nature of the proposed works and the allocation of the charges and numbered as above is as follows :—

	Owing to leakage to be charged to Revenue Rs.	Owing to leakage to be charged to Loan. Rs.	General improvement to be charged to Revenue Rs.	General improvement to be charged to Loan. Rs.
Division A—				
1.....	.....	.....	.....	4,600
2.....	.....	.....	1,178	3,422
3.....	920	.....	.....	.....
4.....	.....	7,360	.....	.....
5.....	4,600	.....	.....	.....
6.....	7,000	.....	.....	.....
	12,520	7,360	1,178	8,022
7.....	.....	1,949	.....	.....
8.....	805	.....	.....	.....
9.....	13,248	.....	.....	.....
10.....	.....	41,400	.....	.....
11.....	.....	1,01,680	.....	.....
12.....	.....	5,296	.....	.....
Total...	14,053	1,50,325	.....	.....
Division B—				
14.....	.....	.....	.....	46,000
Total...	26,573	1,57,685	1,178	54,022

Grand Total...Rs. 2,39,458

All the works included in Division B, other than No. 14 as above, together with those shown in Division C, should be taken into consideration by the Corporation hereafter, that is the extension of the filter beds, and of matters connected therewith in items 13, 15, to 22 inclusive. The consideration of these questions should be postponed until it has been ascertained to what extent the leakage is decreased by the remedial measures now recommended for adoption and also until something more is known about the new process of filtration brought to notice by Mr. Walton.

(a). The facts regarding the supervising staff for Bhandarwada, which are somewhat voluminous, are shown in the accompanying statement marked A.

(b). Statement A shows, in detail, that when applications were made for sanction to the employment of staff, such applications were sanctioned.

(c). No report was submitted to the Town Council to the effect that the weakness of the staff was causing, or was likely to cause, bad or indifferent work to be done on the Reservoir.

5. The bills of the contractor for the execution of Bhandarwada Reservoir were paid on certificates signed by the then Deputy Executive Engineer in charge and the Inspector employed, as follows :— "Certified that the above claim is correct, that the measurements have been made by me, and that the work has been performed in a satisfactory manner." Signed by G. Merewether, Henry Morland, Geo. Waters, and H. O. Selby.

STATEMENT A.—7th December 1880.—The Commissioner applied for and obtained the Town Council's sanction to the employment of an overseer on Rs. 50 per mensem for checking the removal of excavated material from Bhundarwada.

15th March 1881.—Ditto ditto a surveyor for 9 months on Rs. 120 per mensem.

30th August 1881.—Ditto ditto the retention of the services for four months longer] of the overseer, as above, for checking the carting away of excavated materials.

16th December 1881.—Sanction was given to the establishment for the special Drainage and Water Works up to the end of November 1881, as per revised list laid before the Council on 2nd August previously, at a monthly cost of Rs. 2,775.

31st May 1883.—On the recommendation of the Commissioner the Town Council sanctioned the continuance of the employment of the staff for Bhundarwada Water Works (included in the establishment for special works as above) from 31st August 1882 to 31st May 1883, at a cost of Rs. 540 per mensem, or any lesser amount that the Commissioner might find adequate as the works approached completion.

11th July 1883.—The Council sanctioned the continuance of this establishment from 1st June 1883, at a monthly cost of Rs. 550, the total amount to be charged to the fines inflicted on the contractor for non-completion of his contract within the period to which the contract has already been extended (31st May 1883).

8th August 1883.—A letter, dated 10th July 1883, from Mr. Ellapa Ballaram, the contractor for the Bhunderwada Works, was read to the Council in which the contractor denied his liability for the charge referred to in the last paragraph, and stated that he would decline to pay the fine imposed on him.

7th May 1884.—Sanction was given to the appointment of a sub-inspector to be permanently employed for the charge of the sluices and superintendence of the working of the reservoir on a salary of Rs. 50 per mensum. At the same time the Corporation were recommended to sanction the grant of Rs. 550 from Surplus Cash Balance to defray the salary of this man.

The Corporation sanctioned this payment at the meeting held on the 18th June following.

9th July 1884.—The Council sanctioned the continuance of the employment of two inspectors and one maistry for two months and some days at a cost of Rs. 370 per mensem to the debit of the fine inflicted on the contractor.

On the 28th August following, however, the Commissioner informed the Council that the contractors for both reservoirs were behind time under their contracts, and the question of inflicting penalties (for which provision had been made) would shortly have to be determined.

29th October 1884.—At their meeting this day, the Town Council struck out from the list of outstanding business, the item of "Letter, dated 10th July 1883, from Mr. Ellapa Ballaram," in which he denied that he was liable for the fines. On this occasion, the Commissioner stated that he would bring forward the matter at a future date.

18th December 1884.—At the Budget meeting held this day, the Council provided for the employment of a permanent new staff for the two reservoirs at a cost of Rs. 289 a month.

For the sake of clearness it may be as well to add the following summary of Divisions A, B, & C :—

	Owing to leakage to be charged to Revenue.	General Improvement to be charged to Loan.	Grand Total.
Malabar Hill Reservoir.			
Division A	12,520	7,360	19,880
„ B	.....	59,895	59,895
„ C	.....	78,370	78,370
Total...	12,520	1,45,625	1,58,258
Bhandarwada Reservoir.			
Division A	14,053	1,50,325	1,64,378
„ B	.....	.....	1,60,938
„ C	.....	82,800	.....
Total...	14,053	2,33,125	1,50,988
Vehar Filters.			
Division B	.....	.....	4,00,200
Total...	.....	.....	4,00,200
Grand Total...	26,573	4,58,750	7,46,840
Trial holes already sanctioned.	2,500	.....	2,500
Total...Rs.			11,69,531

To be charged to Revenue, Rs. 39,931. To be charged to Loan, Rs. 11,29,590.

Mr. Javerilal drew attention to the fact which had been left unanswered before, but had been answered now, by the sub-committee. He proposed that the works recommended as most urgent at the cost of Rs. 1,93,458 be recommended to the Corporation for sanction.

Col. Merewether remarked that Mr. Javerilal suggested what the sub-committee had recommended.

Mr. Javerilal said he did so, with the exception of one or two items in Division B.

Mr. Ollivant, the Municipal Commissioner, made a few remarks with regard to the report, and offered several suggestions regarding some of the recommendations, which he pressed on the Standing Committee. Dealing with the reference in the report to the application for an increased staff, Mr. Ollivant took occasion to say that he knew very well that no establishment had been asked for. The engineering department would have resented any assistance being given. He further remarked that the second last paragraph of the report was incomplete in merely stating that the Commissioner would bring forward the matter at a future date. As a matter of fact, he had brought forward and settled the matter.

Colonel Merewether was quite prepared to agree with the suggestions of the Municipal Commissioner with regard to the inclusion among the urgent works of the expenditure of Rs. 59,895 on the settling basin.

Dr. Waters objected to the inclusion of this item and explained his reasons for so doing, at the same time reviewing the circumstances under which the sub-committee was appointed.

After some further discussion, Colonel Merewether remarked that the matter was urgent, and suggested that it should be referred back to the sub-committee, and proposed it as a rider in the following terms :— "That in view of the additional information placed before the Standing Committee No. 18 be referred back to the sub-committee for the favour of opinion as to whether the work provided for should not be also sanctioned as one of the most urgent."

This rider was eventually accepted as part of the motion, which was carried.

ADDITIONAL CATCH-WATER CHANNELS.

Colonel Merewether proposed that the Corporation be recommended to sanction the payment of the construction of additional catch-water channel at Vehar at a cost of Rs. 3,600, chargeable to revenue, and at Tulsi at a cost of Rs. 20,000, chargeable to capital.

Major Selby seconded the proposition, and it was carried *nem. con.*

WATER-WORKS FITTING AND PIPES.

The Standing Committee, on the motion of Colonel Merewether, sanctioned the acceptance of the tender of Messrs. John Fleming and Co. for the supply of water-works fittings and service pipes, and then recommended the Corporation to sanction the payment of a further advance of Rs. 50,000 for the purchase of these fittings.

THE GOVERNEMENT OF INDIA AND LOANS.

The further consideration of the letter from the Government of India, Home Department, to the Bombay Government, was postponed, Major Selby remarking that the matter was important, and that he had something to say on the subject.

The Standing Committee then adjourned.

MILITARY NEWS.

THE leave of Surgeon C. G. W. Lowdell, M. S., has been extended for two months.

BRIGADE SURGEON J. DAVIS, M. S., has been granted the temporary rank of Deputy Surgeon-General.

SURGEON-MAJOR HUGHES, M.D., &c., subject to H. M.'s approval, has been promoted Brigade Surgeon, *vice* Brigade Surgeon Hunter, retired.

SURGEON-GENERAL W. M. WEBB, Medical Staff, has been appointed to the office of Surgeon-General to Her Majesty's Forces in the Bombay Presidency.

AN exchange of battalions has been sanctioned between Captain B. E. Winter, 2nd Battalion, and Captain G. O. G. Massy, 1st Battalion, Wiltshire Regiment.

Lieutenant E. F. Rainey, 2nd Battalion, West India Regiment, and 2nd Lieutenant W. B. Stone, 1st Battalion, Lancashire Fusiliers, have been appointed direct probationers to the Staff Corps.

WITH reference to the recent appointment of Colonel Russell Upcher, late of the South Wales Borderers, to the command of the 1st Battalion Durham Light Infantry, a correspondent points out that Colonel G. Lee, who now commands the 2nd Durham at Poona, also served many years in the South Wales Borderers, so that both battalions will now be commanded by old 24th men.

THE following postings are made:—To 1st Battalions :—2nd Lieutenant W. L. R. Amesbury, East Lancashire Regiment; 2nd Lieutenant G. B. Gough, Royal Irish Fusiliers; 2nd Lieutenant H. I. Coningham and C. W. W. Gabb, Leinster Regiment; 2nd Lieutenant M. T. Elderton, East Surrey Regiment; 2nd Lieutenant C. C. Cobbe, East Kent Regiment; and 2nd Lieutenant F. A. R K. Forster, King's Own Scottish Borderers. To 2nd Battalions.—2nd Lieutenant R. C. Bond, York Light Infantry; and 2nd Lieutenants H. M. Peak and E. P. Strickland, Norfolk Regiment.

SIR DONAL WALLACE is still an object of terror to the Bengali newspaper which even Mr. A. O. Hume has to rebuke for overdoing the things. That foolish print, in the course of a column of incoherent platitudes delivered to the address of the Viceroy, says :—"We regard Sir Donald Wallace's fresh lease of office with not only a sense of foreboding, but with positive mistrust. The *Englishman* has attempted to soften the bitterness of the announcement by saying that Sir Donald Wallace's appointment implies no change in his plans, and that his stay in India will be merely temporary. But we are not satisfied that his stay in this country should be even temproary. A week, a month, and the mischief is done. Lord Landsdowne will, indeed, be a man of rare courage and individuality if he can lift himself above the influence and counsels of his Private Secretary. Our only hope is that his Excellency will prove just such a man. He has entered upon his duties at one of the most critical periods of British Indian history. We are sure Lord Lansdowne will not be carried away by self-laudatory and fanciful pictures of peace and financial solvency, drawn by the ex-Viceroy over the social class after a valedictory meal."

MR. E. CANDY is gazetted to act as Judge of the Bombay High Court during the absence of the Hon. Mr. Justice Birdwood.

CONSEQUENT upon Mr. Candy's promotion Mr. W. H. Crowe will do duty as Judge and Sessions Judge of Poona and Agent for Sardars in the Deccan; Mr. W. H. Scott, as Judge and Sessions Judge of Satara; Mr. E. H. Moscardi as Judge and Sessions Judge of Khandesh; and Mr. J. D. S. Fitzmaurice, as Joint Judge and Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad.

A CARD.—An IMPORTANT DISCOVERY is announced in the "Paris Figaro" of a valuable remedy for nervous debility, physical exhaustion, and kindred complaints. The discovery was made by a missionary in Old Mexico; it saved him from a miserable existence and premature decay. The Rev. Joseph Holmes, Bloomsbury Mansions, Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C., will send the prescription, free of charge, on receipt of a self-addressed stamped envelope. Mention this paper.

ABKARI IN THE BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.

X.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—A correspondent of a Guzerati paper complained some time ago that the farmer of the Surat district asked sellers at his shops to give him a certain allowance per gallon. "The question arises how they can afford this when their own salary is very small, and when, in addition, they have to keep pleased the subordinate officers of Government and also those of the contractor." In July last when, I was in Surat district, I sent for a bottle of liquor, and on examining it by my own liquor proof-test, similar to the one used by all shopkeepers, as directed by the Abkari Department, I found it five degrees weaker, that is to say, thirty underproof instead of twenty-five, according to the Government rule. On enquiry the inhabitants of the locality told me that it turned out thirty underproof even when inspectors would come round to examine it, and that the latter explained away the fact by saying that liquor was liable to get weaker *in transitu* by kegs being dashed to and for—a circumstance past comprehension. They also told me that the shopkeeper would keep in his measure cups a small quantity of very inferior liquor, namely, of sixty underproof, and that whenever a customer would come and ask for "bevado," he would quickly mix it with that of the inferior quality and give it him. Apart from this, whenever a poor *dher* or a *chamar*, who cannot step into the shop, comes to purchase "bevado," he is invariably given a mixture of half weak and half strong.

On the 23rd of September last I myself went to a shop in Salsette and asked for half a seer of "bevado" in my own beer pint. The seller was a Parsee, and he had Government stamped copper measure-cups; but he began to fill a slender pint, perhaps of claret. I objected, and asked him to fill my pint by a Government measure-cup, which he refused to do, and told me that he could not afford to give liquor in that way, as it was sold to him dear by the farmer. His pint was shorter than mine, at least about one dram. (Eight drams make one proper bottle, and it is the Government order to sell liquor by that measure.) He charged me six and a half annas, though he gave me so short. When tested, it was found correct in proof, but smoky in taste, which might be owing to its being of single distillation or the mowras burnt at the bottom of the still whilst being distilled. This sort of liquor will not be drunk in Bombay by anybody for even half a rupee per bottle. A bottle would have cost a rupee for eight drams of this bad liquor, whereas in Bombay the same quantity of good liquor could be had for eleven or twelve annas.

This lengthy explanation I have given only to show how, owing to the farming system, farmers deal with shopkeepers, and shopkeepers with their poor customers, and also how the superfine Abkari Department keeps supervision at the expense of two lakhs of rupees.

In my next I shall try to show how Mr. Pritchard disposed of the farming lease of the Sant district, and how mercifully Mr. Mulock, the Collector, dealt with the farmer.

P. B. DANTRA.

UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

THE SECOND B.A. EXAMINATION.

LAST evening, the result of the Examination was announced; and out of 156, the following 77 candidates were declared to have passed :—

CLASS I.—Krishnalal Mohanlal Javeri, Raoji Ramchandra Kale, Chundulal Dayabhai Kankodivala, and Julio Ribeiro.

Class II.—Manishankar Ratnaji Bhat, Ganesh Lakshman Chandorkar, Pherozeshah Korshaspji Dadachanji, Barjorji Jamshedji Dalal, Kashiram Sevakram Dave, Krishnaji Annaji Dodihalkar, Motilal Tribhovandas Fozdar. Krishnaji Shrinivas Hungund, Govind Krishna Kale, Hari Vinayak Kane, Edalji Rustamji Kanga, Varialsing Nihalsing Karamchandani, Mary Samuel, Maganlal Laldas Shroff, Sundar, Vishvanath Trilokekar, Framji Ardesir Vakil, and Merbai Ardessir Vakil.

Pass.—Balkrishna Vinayak Agaskar, Govind Balvant Anerao, Jamshedji Nasarvanji Bahadhurji, Varajdas Dayabhai Barahia, Jehangier Dinshah Batha, Mulraj Sujansing Bhagvanani, Mahadev Rajaram Bodas, Anantrai Nandlal Buch, Nasarvanji Pestanji Bumla, Karshedji Hormasji Captain, Behramji Sorabji Cardmaster, Harihar Bhanushankar Dave, Govind Sakharam Deshmukh, Keshav Ganesh Deshpande, Ramchandra Sajo Dhond, Anandshankar Bapubhai Dhruva, Jijibhai Ardesir Divecha, Herbert Maurice Dixon, Nanchand Becherdas Doshi, Kaikhosru Ardesir Enti, Jehangier Sorabji Gambhir, Vishnu Balvant Gokhale, Narayan Gajanan Jayakar, Manirai Trikamrai Joshipara, Narayan Bhikaji Kaprekar, Rastamji Pestonji Karkaria, Narayan Chintaman Kelkar, Vaman Ramchandra Kerkar, Sorabji Dossabhai Khambata, Dosabhai Bejanji Kharas, Ganesh Anant Lele, Vadhumal Udharam Mansukhani, Hirjibhai Framji Marker, Nasarvanji Edalji Mehta, Gabriel Hayeinth Misquitta, Jamshedji Pestonji Mistri, Anupchand Jagjivan Modi, Sundarrao Shivram Mulgavkar, Rastamji Fardunji Mulla, Hiralal Mansukhlal Munshi, Ramkrishna Anandrao Nadkarni, Pandurang Bhikaji Naik, Ranchhodlal Vanravandas Patvari, Vaman Moreshvar Potdar, Datto Pandurang Prani, Ganesh Bulvant Sahasrabuddhe, Phirozeshaw Edalji Sanjana, Rajaram Sadashiv Sapre, Govind Sakharam Sardesai, Vithaldas Bhagvandas Sheth, Venishankar Revashankar Shukla, Jamshedji Dhanjibhai Sukhia, Hari Balkrishna Taivalkar, Dorabji Furdunji Vakil, Diogo J. Valladares, and Dinkar Sakharam Varde.

The Narayen Wasudew Scholarship has been awarded to Krishnaji Annaji Dodihalkar.

The Bhau Daji Prizeu has been awarded to Raoji Ramchandra Kale.

The Dhirajlal Mathooradas Scholarship has been awarded to Chandulal Dayabhai Kankodivala.

The Cobden Club Medal has been awarded to Pandurang Bhikaji Naik.

The Ellis Scholarship and the Duke of Edinburgh Fellowship has been awarded to Julio Ribeiro.

The James Taylor's Prize has been awarded to Vithaldas Bhagvandas Sheth.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAILS.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. Siam, Capt. H. T. Weighell, will sail to-day for London with the Europe mails and the following passengers :—

FOR LONDON.

Mr A W Keith — Mr Duncan.
Mr Har Belas

FOR MARSEILLES.

Mr C Got — Mr C R Marriott
Mr J A Bell — Mr G K Moore.
Capt and Mrs Featon

FOR BRINDISI.

Col Henderson — Capt Hastings.
Mr W L Dallas

The following passages are engaged :—

The s. s. Thames, Captain W. A. Seaton, 28th Dec. 1888 :—

FOR BRINDISI.—Mr A S Russell, and Mr D C Johnston.
FOR LONDON.—Mr W K Thompson.
FOR PORT SAID.—Mr Hollingsworth, and Mr Prest.

THE VAITURNA RELIEF FUND.

THE following subscriptions have been received for the relief of sufferers by the loss of the Vaiturna :—

	Rs.
His Excellency Lord Reay.....	100
H. H. the Rao of Cutch.....	1000
Messrs. Ralli Brothers.....	250
Messrs W. and A. Graham and Co.	250
A. K.	100
The Florio-Rubattino Co.	100
Mr. Ardesir Framji	100
Mr. S. D. Sassoon.....	100
Sir Mungaldass Nathubhoy, K.C.S.I., Messrs. Tribhowandas and Purshotumdass Mungaldass Nathubhoy	100
Mr. G. F. Sheppard, C. S.	50
K.	10
D. P. M.....	5

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT.

SIMLA, Dec. 20.—The barometric changes are slight in the Peninsula. The barometer has fallen briskly in the Punjaub, Rajputana, North-West Provinces, and in the north of Bengal, and has fallen rapidly at the foot of the hills, from Peshawar to Roorkee. The skies are clouded in the north and east of the Punjab, and there is a slight disturbance with a feeble cyclonic circulation, also a feeble cyclonic circulation in the south and east of Bengal, about the centre near Dacca, where the pressure is locally in defect. Winds are light and irregular in Northern India, and unchanged in the Peninsula. The temperature at the hill stations last night was five to eleven degrees higher than at the adjacent plain stations. The skies are almost clear in southern India.

ALLEGED HIGHWAY ROBBERY BY NATIVE SOLDIERS.

SUPERINTENDENT MACDERMOTT yesterday placed Private Sheik Ahmed Mugdobur, of the 21st Native Infantry (Marine Battalion), before Mr. C. P. Cooper, the Chief Presidency Magistrate, on a charge of highway robbery and of assaulting a native woman, named Kondee. The case was brought up under the instructions of Colonel H. Wilson, Commissioner of Police.

An outline of the circumstances under which the charge was made was given by Superintendent MacDermott, who applied for a remand of the case so as to enable the police to instruct the Public Prosecutor to appear in the matter. From this statement it appeared that shortly after nine o'clock on Wednesday night, while a townsman named Cooshna Sabajee and a woman named Kondee were proceeding along the Cruickshank Road towards Bori Bunder, coming from Money School, they were accosted by two men, apparently *Pultanwallas* (soldiers) in mufti or undress. One of them, a stalwart muscular Punjaubi, Shaik Ahmed by name,—the soldier charged,—holding a heavy knotted club in a threatening manner over the man, asked him to make over all the money he had. The Hindoo produced six annas, which was all the money he possessed, and this the accused snatched from his hand and made over to his companion, who was standing by. The prisoner then —so it was stated—made an attack upon the woman, but an alarm being raised, a police sepoy, who was near, and a mounted policeman, who was on special duty near the corner of the Esplanade, at once ran up and arrested the soldiers. The prisoner was detained in custody, and his companion, who was not suspected at the moment, was let go after he stated who he was, and had given his name and the regiment he belonged to. It was a moonlight night, but the alleged robbery took place under the long avenue of trees that run on the south of the Cruikshank Road and just in front of the new Police Court buildings. The policemen took the prisoner before Inspector George, in whose section the occurrence took place, and the case was taken before Mr. MacDermott, who took an early opportunity of communicating with Colonel Beville, commanding the Marine Battalion, reporting the circumstances under which the prisoner was arrested. Colonel Beville immediateiy intimated his desire that the case should be dealt with by the Civil authorities, expressing at the same time his hope that the matter would be sifted to the bottom and given every publicity as a warning. Subsequent inquiries made by the police showed that a third man had also taken part in the affair, having been placed on the watch, near the tank, opposite the Marine Battalion Lines. This was apparently deemed necessary by the men, as a mounted policeman, on special duty to prevent these robberies, patrols the neighbourhood, and he was to give warning of that official's approach. It was thus shown that the robbery had evidently been planned and systematically carried out, but fortunately with ill success.

Mr. Cooper granted the remand as applied for by the police.

THE FORTHCOMING MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

THE adjourned meeting of the Ratepayers of the Fort Ward was held yesterday at the house of Mr. Liladhar Shamji, close to the Gaiety Theatre. On the last occasion the candidates selected by the Ward Committee to represent the district in the new Corporation were invited to address their constituency, and accordingly the candidates laid their respective views before the meeting on municipal matters. One of them had sent in a written address, as he had to go out of Bombay on account of ill health. Mr. Harkisondas Narotamdas was one of the persons recommended by the Committee to the Ratepayers for election. But he had written to say that he was unable to attend, as he had been suddenly called away to Bassein. Some discussion arose on the point whether a vote of confidence should be passed in Mr. Harkisondas, and ultimately the meeting was adjourned till last evening, in order to enable Mr. Harkisondas to appear before his electors. He was again unable to be present yesterday, but he had sent in a written address, which the chairman, Mr. Jeevanjee Modi, allowed to be read before the meeting. Mr. Harkisondas stated in his address that he had been a member of the Corporation for the past ten years, during which he had taken an active interest in municipal affairs.

At the conclusion of the address, Mr. Gordhandas Khatao Makanji proposed a vote of confidence in Mr. Harkisondas. The proposition was seconded by Mr. Liladhar Shamji and supported by Mr. Behramji Navroji Doctor, who warmly commended the energy displayed by Mr. Harkisondas in the interests of the ratepayers and the city at large. The chairman closed the proceedings by expressing his satisfaction at the happy choice of the candidates made by the committee. Mr. Fardunji Banaji proposed, and Dr. Ardesheer D. Mody seconded, a vote of thanks to Mr. Liladhar Shamji for allowing the use of his hall. Mr. Liladhar, it was stated, had kindly agreed to bear all the expenses in connection with these meetings. Proposed by Mr. S. R. Khambatta, and seconded by Dr. R. N. Khory, "that a vote thanks be unanimously passed to the sub-committee of the Fort Ward, including the secretaries of the rate-payers' Association, whose efforts in the cause of promotion of ratepayers' rights are simply praiseworthy. "The mover said the committee had done its work very satisfactorily, and the secretaries, especially Mr. Banaji, had worked hard to promote the cause of the rate-payers. The chairman also deserved the thanks of the meeting. The proposition was heartily carried, and the meeting dispersed.

THE HINGOLEE PRESS COMPANY.

THE fourth ordinary annual general meeting of the shareholders was held yesterday at the registered office, Medows Street, Mr. Dhewjee Mowjee, chairman of the board of directors, presiding. The following report of the directors was submitted :—

Your directors have the pleasure to lay before you the audited accounts of this company for the year ending 31st October 1888, showing a net profit of Rs. 7,477-12-8 on this season's working. The total number of bales pressed at Akola during the season was 37,400 out of which this company pressed 16,022. Owing to the great competition,—there being three other pressing companies at work,—the pressing rate, which was first arranged at Rs. 3 per bale, had to be reduced to Rs. 2-8, and undoubtedly this year a further reduction would have taken place had your directors not decided to enter into a combination agreement with two of the competing pressing companies, and by which the presses are now worked jointly, the rate for pressing being raised to Rs. 3-4, this company receiving 37 per cent., as its share out of the profits paid into a pool for division. Reverting to the accounts before you, you will observe that there was a balance of Rs. 11,465-13 to the debit of profit and loss account, and after crediting this year's profit of Rs. 7,477-12-8, a debit balance of Rs. 3,988-0-4, will still remain. Your directors, however, feel [quite] confident that with the present prospects of an excellent cotton crop in the Akola district and the more remunerative pressing rate under the combination agreement the above debit balance will not only be wiped off, but that a balance will also remain large enough to enable your directors to recommend the payment of a handsome dividend. Messrs Dhunjee Mowjee and Dwarkadas Damodhur retire from the board of directors by rotation, but are eligible for re-election. You have also to appoint an auditor and to fix his remuneration.

The report and audited accounts were adopted and confirmed. Messrs. Dhunjee Mowjee and Dwarkadas Damodhur, who retired by rotation, were re-elected directors. Mr. Furdoonjee Ardasir Cursetjee was re-elected auditor with a remuneration of Rs. 100. The proceedings terminated with the customary compliment to the chairman.

FIRE AT SHAIK MEMON STREET.

A FIRE was discovered on the 3rd floor of house No. 43, Shaik Memon Street, at about ten minutes past 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening. Superintendent Crummey, who was passing through the street at the time at once sent an alarm to the Fire Brigade Station at Pydownee. Mr. Crummey then entered the premises, which is a druggist's shop and store rooms, belonging to Heerjee Mooljee and Co., and on getting to 3rd floor of the building he discovered the whole of the wood work below the tiles on fire. The manual engine from the Munguldas Cloth Market was soon brought into play and managed to keep down the flames. Two sailors who happened to pass went on the roof of an adjoining house, and rendered valuable assistance by working the hose, which was led from the manual engine, through the windows. A little later on three European soldiers who came upon the scene also helped the two Blue Jackets. The Pydownee engine was on the scene ten minutes after the alarm was given, but was not worked until the arrival of the steam fire-engine from the Fort. Great excitement prevailed in the street and amongst the neighbouring shopkeepers. The fire was got under by 8 p.m., and completely extinguished soon after. The house belongs to one Rattonjee Virjee. The origin of the fire is not known, and the damage is estimated at Rs. 4,000.

THE CRAWFORD COMMISSION.

FORTY-NINTH DAY.

THE hearing of the charges against Mr. Arthur Crawford, late Commissioner C. D., was resumed on Wednesday.

Mr. Pendse stated :—This is a letter I got from Mr. Crawford (Letter dated 9-1-87 put in. Mr. Crawford asked Pendse to help Louis, the butler). In consequence of that letter I advanced Rs. 300 to Louis on the 10th of January 1887. (This is an acknowledgement from the butler). The men mentioned in the letter are those by whom I sent the money. (Letter dated 15-1-87 put in. Mr. Crawford asked how much he owed witness). I let Mr. Crawford know how much he owed me.

Cross-examind by Mr. Crawford :

When did you write that letter ?—In January 1887.

Since that have you ever referred to the matter ?—Yes. In the beginning of this year I sent Mr. Crawford a message through Dawlat Khan Naik.

What did you say ?—I told him to remind Mr. Crawford.

Did he do so ?—

did you say it should not be communicated to Mr. Crawford ?—I was afraid of the shock to the heart.

There was nothing to make you fear about his reason ?—Not at that time.

You were not present when the information was given to Mr. Crawford ?—No.

Re-examined :—I was several years as a Civil Surgeon. I saw Mr. Crawford several times before I saw him on the 12th. I can only say that he was mentally depressed.

Colonel Macnaghten was next called and stated :—I am a Colonel in the Bombay Cavalry. I have known Mr. Crawford for 36 years. Of late I have known him very intimately. I remember his suspension. Three or four days before he was suspended I saw him at his bungalow. He was looking very ill, and his manner was strange. It was noon when I saw him, and he was not dressed. He had evidently been lying down. I saw him again on the 15th or July. He was in the Club chambers then. He waf very depressed and at the same time very excitable. I recollect asking him if he had seen the paper of tht previous evening which contained the telegram about the Boulanger-Floquet duel. That appeared to excite him very much. He got up and waved his arms about, and said there were several people he would like to meet. On this occasion I thought he was "clean off his head." His manner was quite different from what it had usually been, which could not be accounted for.

Cross-examined by Mr. Latham.

Did you communicate your opinion to his medical attendant ?—I did not know who he was. I told Dr. Murphy on Saturday, the 14th.

That was before your interview on Sunday?—Yes.

What did you say ?—I said he was in a dangerous state of health, and I feared he might do himself some injury. I said some one should stay with him. I was dining with Dr. Murphy that day, and after dinner Dr. Murphy came up to me and spoke to me. He said "I have just brought Crawford in from Kirkee." I asked how he was, and he told me he was very ill and very depressed. I said I would go and see him, but Dr. Murphy asked me not to go, till the following morning. He said he had better be left alone to have a good night's rest. It was then that I told Dr. Murphy of my visit to Mr. Crawford one or two days previously and of my anxiety about his state of mind, which I could not at that time account for as I had no knowledge of the pending charges against Mr. Crawford.

On the 18th you noticed no excitement ?—No.

Did you know he was suffering from fever ?—No.

You have had Indian experience enough to know that depression is the cause of fever ?—Yes.

On the 15th when did you see Mr. Crawford ?—At 10 a. m. He was partially dressed. He had on a dresssing gown.

And he was still depressed ?—Yes. Afterwards he became excitable.

Had he the appearance of a man that had been drinking ?—I do not know.

Did you go again and see Dr. Murphy ?—No.

Of course, you know Dr. Murphy was Mr. Crawford's medical attendant ?—No.

After that Sunday when did you see Mr. Crawford ?—Some month's after.

Naro Caloude was next called in Phadke's case, and stated :—I am a shroff carrying on business in Poona in the Aithwar Peit. I am in the habit of selling notes. I have brought my books. I turn to my day book to an entry of the 16th July, 1887. I find the credits and debits of the Wattan for four days on that date. I have not the details of the Wattan. I have an entry here which shows the four days in a lump. The credit for those four days is Rs. 2-13-9. It is not entered in the book. In the book is an entry of Rs. 4-15-3. On the debit side is Rs. 5-6-5. These papers are the rough entries from which the book is made. They are made by me, and contain details. I have here an account of the discount obtained on the sale of two notes for Rs.1,000, The amount is annas 10. Received two notes of Rs. 1,000, for which cash was paid. I turn to the credit side and find the entry :—12 annas 6 pies After receiving Rs. 1,000 in cash Queen's coin, I gave a note (Rough entry put in.)

Mr. Crawford did not cross-examine.

Ramchunder Gopal Jowarkar was called and stated :—I know Chincholikar. In the course of 1887 I saw him in Poona. He came to my lodging. I had a conversation with him. I noticed a small book lying in Chincholikar's house. I noticed something on, the book. That led to further conversation.

Cross-examined by Mr. Crawford.

When did you mention this matter first ?—I do not remember. I told Mr. Ommanney about it three months ago.

Krishnajee Joshi was called in Tambay's case and stated :—I live at Erphal in the Sattara District. I am a writer and a Inamdar. I know R. G. Tambay. I have a house in Poona. In October 1887 I was living in my house at Poona, I saw Tambay in Poona that month. I advanced him Rs. 300. I do not remember the date exactly. He has not repaid me yet. I have made demands. I have received one letter about 3 months ago. I cannot find it now. I was telegraphed for the other day. I arrived here on Sunday evening. I do not keep any books of accounts.

Cross-examined by Mr. Crawford.

Have you taken any sort of receipt from Tambay ?—No.

Will you charge any interest ?—If he pays m e

Mr. Latham said that closed the case for the prosecution. He said he had not yet got hold of Tarachand but he would make an applicatiou for the admission of his evidence when he did so.

The Court roseat 4-30 p. m., and will sit at 11 a. m. on Wednesday the 26th instant.

AN INDIAN MISSIONARY.

Alexander Duff of Calcutta, John Wilson of Bombay, and Stephen Hislop of Nagpur, were the first missionaries of the Free Church of Scotland in India, the first two on secession from the Established Church in 1843, and the last by direct appointment in 1844 by the Foreign Missions Committee of the new Church. Dr. George Smith, formerly the editor, in succession to Mr. Meredith Townsend, of the *Friend of India*, and now secretary to the Foreign Missions of the Free Church of Scotland, published his admirable biographies of Wilson and Duff about ten years ago, when they were favourably reviewed in these columns; and it is fortunate in every way that the biography of Hislop should have be undertaken by the same author, to whom we are also indebted for the life, published in 1885, of that remarkable Baptist missionary to India, William Carey of Serampore.

Dr. George Smith is, indeed, quite an ideal historiographer of the missious of his Church in India. From the beginning he has enjoyed the confidence and friendship of the most notable of its missionaries to that country, and been informed at first hand of all its operations there. He has been in many instances intimately connected with the past and the passing generations of leading Anglo-Indian officials, and thus has enjoyed exceptional opportunites of maturing the wide knowledge which, as a publicist, he has acquired in every department of the administration and history of contemporary India. Above all, through education and the experiences of a many-sided life, and not less, as is everywhere evident, through a natural graciousness of disposition, he is able to discuss the various religious questions that must be dealt with in missionary biographies as a man of letters and a man of the world as well as a true son of the Free Church, without theological animosity, and in a spirit of sympathetic toleration. Dr. Smith was of course, under little temptation to indulge in sectarian exclusiveness when treating of the lives of Wilson, Duff, and Hislop, such as he was strongly exposed to, and successfully resisted, in the case of William Carey. Adopting the excellent practice of the Established Church of Scotland, the Free Church insists on its students undergoing a prolonged and serious course of general as well as technical education, and besides their classics and theology they are usually well read in English literature, and often well grounded in different branches of natural science The Scotch have, therefore, always been the best informed, the most enlightened, and the most successful among the missionaries of Protestant Christianity in India. The system of teaching inaugurated by them long before "the Disruption" soon attracted the children of the lower classes; of the native communities to their schools; their learning grandually secured them the respect of the most bigoted of the hizher castes of Hindus, even the Brahmins; while the authority of their university status and cultnre, not less than the salutary example of their pure and self-sacrificing lives, has exercised a beneficial influence on European society throughout India. In the last respect it is not possible to exaggerate the good done by Duff and Wilson—by Duff, who overmastered every one with his fiery evangelical zeal; and Wilson, tall, gaunt, and dignified as a typical mediæval university Syndic, who more slowly, but at length surely, won all hearts by his unaffected simplicity of character, his consideration for others and prompt helpfulness, and by the old-world charms of his stately courtesy and sesquipe lalian phrases, in which he invariably "appropinquated" a place, and never "approached" it. And every year the figures of these two men grow larger and larger in the memories, and their counsels sink deeper and deeper in the consciences, of those who knew them as they lived and laboured for righteousness' sake. If Hislop does not stand in the same line with them, it is principally because, coming after them, he passed away before them, are yet the possibilities of such a life as his could be fulfilled. But he was a man of the same apostolic grace as Duff and Wilson, and short as was his life, it was deserving of record in the annals of Christian missions, indepent dently of the special circumstances that give it a wider and lasting interest, such as his experiences as a pioneer of the Cross in the Central Provinces and the Berars, his geological exploration of these vast territories, hitherto unknown to science, his life at Nagpur during the mutiny of 1857, and his tragic death in 1863.

Stephen Hislop was born on the 8th of September 1817, in the old Border town of Dunse, the birthplace of Thomas Boston, Thomas M'Crie, Sir Joseph Paxton' and principal Fairbairn, if not also of John Duns, better known as Duns Scotus. Lauder, which is but seven miles from Dunse, was the birthplace of John Wilson who was at the height of his early reputation in Bombay when Hislop was a student at Edinburgh; and there can be little doubt that the local Berwickshire pride in Wilson was one of the causes which determined Hislop to go to India. He was also much influenced by a sermon preached at Edinburgh early in 1843 by Dr. Stephenson, of Bombay, on the great need of Christian missionaries in India; and in the summer of that year, while waiting for his licence to preach from the Free Presbytery of Edinburg, he became secretary to the Ladies Society for Female Education in India, founded as a memorial of Dr. John Wilson's first wife. His thoughts were further directed towards India by the adhesion in the same year, the year of the Disruption, of Dr. Duff at Calcutta and Dr. Wilson at Bombay to the Free Church of Scotland; and on Dr. Wilson's visit in the autumn of 1843 to Edinburgh, accompanied by his first convert from Parseeism, Hislop's decision was finally made, and on the 20th of January following he formerly offered himself for service in India. He was at once appointed to Nagpur, and after marrying, and visiting at Olney the Rev. Dr. Schmidt, the former colleague of Rhenius in South India, he left Southampton in the steamer of the 3rd of November, 1844, and arrived in Bombay on the 13th of December following.

The Central Provinces form a natural barrier dividing the plains of Hindustan from the plateau of the Dakhan, and thus have become the common meeting-point between the intrusive Aryan and Dravidian races of the Indian peninsula and the aboriginal Vindhyan races, who here at last made a successful stand against the encroachments of their enemies, and gave the name of their serpent god to Nagpur, the capital of all this mountainous region. Later, as the Mohammedan invaders in the eleventh century pressed the Rajputs southward, these Hindu refugees introduced a higher type of civilization into the Central Provinces. They were, however, absorbed by the great numbers of aboriginal Gonds; and when, in the sixteenth century, Akbar made his consolidating rule felt for a time, among them, those of the Gond-Rajputs who had not been Brahmanized became nominal Mohammedans, leaving the demonolatry of their Vindhyan ancestors to be practised by the isolated savages of the denser forests and the higher valleys of the country. On the decline of the Mogul power in the seventeenth century the native Gond families again asserted their ascendancy, and one of them succeeded in founding a powerful dynasty at Nagpur, where it continued to flourish until in the eighteenth century it was supplanted by the Mahratta dynasty of the Bhonslas, whose representative dying without heirs in 1853, the Nagpur state lapsed to the Company. Hislop entered Nagpur in 1845, and his career there, as detailed in Dr. Smith's volume, throws fresh light on the closing years of the last of the Bhonslas, the "exhausted debauchee" Raghoji III.

Of still greater interest to the English reader is the chapter devoted to Hislop's experiences in the Central Provinces during the Mutiny, which for the first time tells the true story of the 'Mohammedan conspiracy formed with Mahratta collusion" in Nagpur. The mysterious *chupatis* or wheaten cakes were circulated in the month of March, 1857, with the statement, intended to excite the jealousy of the recipients against any interference with their food, that they were given by the British Government. The first warning of an outbreak at Nagpur was received by Hislop late on the night of the 12th of June from an old Mohammedan gentleman called Feiz Buksh, whose son had been educated in the mission school. The following morning Hislop communicated the information to the Deputy Commissioner at the very time that the Chief Commissioner was thanking for their fidelity the Irregular Cavalry, who were in league with the Mohammedan conspirators. They had actually arranged to rise on the night of the 13th, the signal being the ascent of fire balloons. At 10 p. m. all was ready for the massacre, which even Hislop did not know was so imminent, and to frustrate which no precautions had been taken by the Commissioner. It happened, however, that the havildar of the Irregular Infantry who was on duty that night was a Madrassee, and on the emissary of the Irregular Cavalry coming to him to bespeak his adhesion, he at once arrested the man and gave the alarm to his officers. Over and over again it was by the fidelity of natives that English families were thus saved from destruction in 1857, and one would be glad to know that in every case the men who, like Feiz Buksh and the brave *havildar* at Nagpur, had been the instruments of their salvation, were adequately rewarded by the Government. Their names and services should never be forgotten by Englishmen.

The fullest particulars are afforded of his purely missionary labours. He was guided in these by the instructions he received on his ordination by the Rev. Dr. Wilson, which are printed at length in Dr. Smith's second chapter, and should be studied by every missionary purposing to evangelize the mixed races and highly civilized communities of India. Dr. Wilson lays stress on the acquisition of a knowledge of the native languages, and of the manners, customs, and habits of the people, and above all, of their religions. He recommends that particular attention should be given to the education of the young, and to the encouragement by the missionaries of all branches of secular education, not only through school teaching, but by public lectures on science, literature, and history whenever opportunties are to be found. He strongly insists on the formation of a Sunday congregation wherever practicable, and on the wide circulation of the Scriptures and religious books and tracts, and the exercise of constant watchfulness and helpful kindness towards converts. In every department of the work thus mapped out for him Hislop achieved encouraging results, and in eighteen years had quickened among all those with whom he was brought into contact that instinctive desire latent in all men for a closer walk in the self-denying paths of righteousness, the effectnal awakening of which is everywhere the true criterion of the successful teaching of Christianity. Prematurely, therefore, as he was cut off, he had already fulfilled the highest purposes of his life. As was to be expected, he was especially successful among the aboriginal Gonds, whose various dialects he reduced to a literary language, and made it common to them all. His last ministration was among the Gonds. On the 3rd of September, 1863, he had started on a tour with Sir Richard Temple from Bori, and proceeded to Takalghat, a wooded hamlet on a mound across the little Krishna which feeds the Wana. From Takalghat Sir Richard returned in the afternoon to Bori, while Hislop insisted on remaining later in order to expound the Gosple to the villagers gathered round him. At 8 o'clock in the evening his riderless horse dashed up to Sir Richard Temple's bungalow at Bori; and search being made it was found that Hislop had been drowned in recrossing the Krishna, which had been suddenly flooded since the morning by rain falling among the surrounding hills.—*Athenæum.*

AN EDITOR MEETS WITH AN ACCIDENT.

From *The Cycling Journal*, July 22nd, 1887.

I usually fight shy of patent medicine advertisements, and my exasperation upon having started to read down an article in a newspaper, cunningly set up in the form of a literary or news essay, which developes into an unblushing advertising puff of some bottled concoction, is indescribable. Moreover, the stuffs most extensively recommended for the use of cyclists, in healing strained muscles, are generally sold at prices most frightfully out of proportion to the cost of the raw materials composing them. It is, therefore, all the more confidently, that I make a departure from my usual principles by offering a gratuitous and unsoughtfor puff for a kind of liniment which I have often seen advertised. I discovered its merits quite accidentally. Having bruised my leg by a fall from a broken tricycle, last Monday, I was offered a bottle at a relative's house, and after rubbing a microscopical portion of it on to the bruised place, more in order to satisfy my friend than with any faith in its virtues, I was agreeably surprised to wake up, the following morning, with every trace of stiffness and pain removed. And for the benefit of any of my readers, I add that the balm of which less than a teaspoonful cured me was St. Jacob's Oil, which will henceforth be exempted from my condemnation of similar preparations.

Colonel J. M. Sexton has passed the L. S. Persian examination.

Mr. James Davidson, C. S., has been appointed Assistant Collector at Kanara.

Surgeon-Major W. G. H. Henderson has resumed charge of the appointment of Civil Surgeon at Karwar.

CHINESE DISCIPLINE.

It appears that some error, apparently trifling, was committed on the wedding day of the Emperor of China, and the following punishment of the officials of the board of ceremonies for mistake in connection with the Emperor's marriage has been decided on.

November 6th.—Decree by H.M. the Empress Dowager. We are in receipt of a memorial from the Censorate and the Board of Civil Rates, determining, in obedience to instructions, the penalties to be imposed upon the officials of the Board of Ceremonies for not acting upon the memorandum altering a date in connection with the ceremonies attendant upon the Imperial marriage. The officials in question fully merit the proposed penalties, but as the matter has to do with the celebration of national rejoicing, we desire to act leniently with them. In accordance with the suggestions now before us, the President, Li Hung-tsao, the acting President, Shao-chi, the Senior Vice-Presidents, Ching-hsin and Hiis-p'u, the Acting Junior Vice-Presidents, Ch'ing-an and Tung-hua, ought to be degraded four steps and removed to other posts while the Secretaries Kuei-wu and Hsii Chia-ting ought to be similarly removed and degraded five steps, but as a special act of grace, we command that they all be deprived of their rank and retained at their posts. Li Hung-tsao, who has already been stripped of his rank, ought properly to be cashiered but as a special favour. We command that this penalty be remitted. The other President, Ku'ei-jun, and the Members of the Board who are absent on a special mission, cannot on this account be exonerated from the blame attaching to the repeated mistakes which have been made in connection with this matter, and we command that he, as well as the former, Acting Predent sident, Ch'i Shih-ch'ang and the Junior Vice-Presi-Hsu-ch-'ang, should be deprived of four steps of rank and retained at their posts. This is an exceptional act of clemency which will not assuredly be repeated should any further mistake of the kind occur, and in the future management of this ceremonial the Board must be careful to pay strict attention to Imperial instructions.

THE DUCHESS OF MONTROSE AND HER ORCHIDS.

The case of Sander v. The Duchess of Montrose which occupied a special jury in the High Court of Justice for a couple of days last week, says a home paper, is a very curious illustration of the manners and luxury of our times. The Duchess of Montrose is perhaps better known to the world which knows her best as "Mr. Manton." As a well-known magnate of the Turf she occupies a house called Sefton Lodge at Newmarket, and to this house is attached a conservatory of magnificent proportions. It is described as having a central dome with two wings. Having resolved to convert this conservatory into a pleasant lounge for herself and her guests during her stay at Newmarket, the Duchess, on the recommendation of the Duke of Marlborough, sought the advice and assistance of Mr. Sander, a specialist in floriculture, more particularly in the cultivation of orchids. Mr. Sander constructed a rockery under the central dome, and furnished it with waterfalls and other costly luxuries of the kind. For this he proposed to charge 554*l.* though there was no contract, and Mr. Sander seems to have indulged in the rather incautious practice of carrying orders of this kind in his head without even booking them. The wings were filled, one with geraniums and other ordinary plants, the other with 1,000 orchids, for which Mr. Sander was to charge a guinea apiece. Again the order was carried in Mr. Sander's imprudent head and was not booked. When this lordly pleasure-house was completed, the Duchess surveyed it and found it satisfactory—at least so she is alleged to have said to Mr. Sander's foreman—though she thought the display of orchids was deficient in colour, the blooms being for the most part white. She accordingly sent a message to Mr. Sander, through his foreman, to supply more coloured blooms at a cost not exceeding 200*l.* This, at any rate, was the foreman's story, though the Duchess denied it in the witness-box. She apparently seems to have expected that a certain number of the redunant white orchids would be taken away and their place supplied by blooms of a darker colour. The resources of Mr. Sander's establishment were not equal to the supply of more than 126*l* worth of coloured orchids, but these were sent. The Duchess was pleased at the execution of her orders, her friends and guests were delighted with the result, and the Prince of Wales honoured the palace of delight with his presence at an entertainment given during the Newmarket July Meeting. But no sooner was the bill sent in than matters took a different turn. The invoices seem to have been delivered with remarkable promptitude, for it was only on July 18 that Mr. Sander wrote to the Duchess, saying that the full amount of his bill was about 1,700.*l*, and asking for 500*l.* on account. A little episode recounted in Mr. Sander's evidence may, perhaps, account for this promptitude. "I had had a previous transaction with the Duchess," he said. "She came down to my nurseries with the Duke of Marlborough. She bought four orchids for ten guineas, which she has never paid me for." Not a very profitable transactions, perhaps; but, as the Duke of Marlborough naively remarked on this occasion, the Duchess was likely to prove a valuable customer to Mr. Sander, and Mr. Sander himself acknowledged that he "thought she would be quite a new market for him." Mr. Sander, to do him justice, did not neglect the ordinary arts of those who cater for the luxuries of the great and wealthy. He was quite affable to the Duke of Marlborough, and he entered into confidential relations with the Duchess's head gardener. The correspondence of this worthy, who is no louger in the service of the Duchess, is very entertaining reading. To Mr. Sander's manager he wrote, becomingly enough "I can assure you her Grace is delighted with the palm-house," though towards the end of the letter he lapsed into a less dignified style and said, "Mr. Sanders must keep the pot boiling now she is right." To Mr. Sander himself he was more familiar and plain-spoken not to say disrespectful. "I am sure," he wrote, "I shall get the old gal round about the orchids. I had one or two long chats with her, and I think that I quite talked her round. . . . All things are looking well and the old gal was very pleased." When she did she protested that the charge was exorbitant, that she never meant to pay more than 1,000*l.* for the orchids, and she subsequently complained that the charge for the rockery was excessive. The suit arose out of this dispute. The Duchess denied that she had ever given an order for 200*l.* worth of coloured orchids in addition to those originally ordered, and again contended that the charge for the rockery was excessive. The jury, however, without leaving the box, found a verdict for the plaintiff for the full amount claimed.

A SHIP'S CREW DISABLED BY LIGHTNING.

The Guion Line steamer Alaska, from New York, which arrived at Queenstown on Tuesday evening, 27th ult., carried intelligence of the ship Edward, from Havre, with a cargo of iron ore, whose captain reported that the vessel encountred a terrible electrical storm in the Atlantic on the night of the 31st ult., when in lat. 41 42 N., long. 54 42 W., lasting for several hours. The vessel was continuously enveloped in lightning, which prostrated on the deck eleven seamen, and deprived them of sight for nearly half a day. The second officer and the boatswain were also dashed to the deck, and received serious injury, and the former was speechless for five hours. Three balls of fire exploded with a tremendous report over the main rigging, scattering flaming fragments over the ship, and driving the remaining members of the crew in terror into the forecastle. From 3 a. m. until 7. p. m. the captain and mate were the only persons on board capable of doing any work, and on them devolved the task of keeping the vessel before the easterly gale. The captain states that all on board the ship were trembling with fear during the time that the electrical storm lasted, which was the most terrible he ever witnessed; and he adds that no doubt the iron ore with which the vessel was laden attracted the lightning.

Mr. F. L. Charles will continue to act as a member of the Port Trust.

The arrival of a Russian man-of-war at Bombay, remarks an up-country paper, "is an interesting circumstance and suggestive, but deprived of that unpleasantness which its advent under a possible state of things two years ago would have afforded. The interest is heightened by the exalted personages on board, and by the fact that they are bound on a voyage round the world. They are being honourably entertained during their nine days' stay in the harbour; but on their departure the disagreeable feeling, that Bombay will naturally recur to the Russian in case of hostilities, may afflict the inhabitants. This flattering visit is likely to be productive of some anxiety among the uninformed native community of Bombay, as to the ease with which Russian war vessels can come into the harbour; and, in doing the honours, one eye of Bombay will doubtless be filled with dismal speculation, whilst the other expresses good-will and cheerful hospitality.

THE RECENT CHANGE IN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS.

Mr. Frederick Greenswood contributes an article under this heading to the current number of the *Nineteenth Century*, in which he discusses the cause of the political disquietudes now prevalent in Europe. He writes :—

To Germany we should look for the main or the more immediate cause of a disquietude which runs high enough to determine our Government upon adding to its naval armaments without delay. No doubt the Germans would point behind themselves to France as the source and origin of the uneasiness that afflicts all Europe; and much that they have to say on that point is true enough as a statement of fact, though slightly ridiculous as matter of complaint. It is true that in France the Germans are hated vengefully; but Prince Bismack's fellow-countrymen might acknowledge the feeling to be what it is, a perfectly natural one, without weakening their right to the provinces theyhave conquered or enfeelling an equally natural resolve to retain them. It is true that the French mean to be revenged for the losses and humiliations inflicted upon them by Germany, and, moreover, that they are steadily and constantly preparing to strike the blow. But they are not on that account so obviously wicked that all the world should be called upon to hold them in restraint; and yet this really seems to be the general opinion in Germany, where the crimes imputed to the French would become the highest of all virtues if ever the tricolour or the white flag were carried in triumph across the Rhine. There is nothing dignified, nothing Roman, nothing even reasonable in the complaints of French preparations for revenge which constantly arise from Berlin; and when we see that these complaints proceed from the most serious and thoughtful persons in that city, and when we find that any slackness in sympathising with them is regarded as contrary to all the laws of righteousness, we may fairly suspect that anxiety has disturbed the minds of those persons, and I, for one, have no doubt of this: there is no set of statements in Europe so conscious of danger, or so anxious for the future, as the rulers of the German Empire. In France there may be graver reasons for dread in point of fact; but, to all appearance at any rate, there is far less nervousness, more of the spirit of hope, less of the spirit of foreboding amongst the ruling men of that country than of the other. In a very large measure, no doubt, the difference may be counted for by temperament, by a more thoughtful, if not a more vigorous, German patriotism, or by the absence or the silence of all perceptive and alert intellect in French statesmanship. But it is doubtful whether these things afford a full explanation of the greater anxiety which is so plainly visible in the nation accounted so much the more powerful and fortunate. As for the fear of a 'gush' of popular passion in France, which is the common explanation, we need not believe that that has much to do with it. The truth is that all the grounds of uneasiness which have troubled German statesmanship from the time when France showed such amazing alacrity in providing the expiatory milliards have deepened and broadened very sensibly since the year began.

BOULANGISM.

Mr. Greenwood writes thus of the proposed Peace League and the influence wielded by General Boulanger :—

Leagues of peace have been mentioned. In the days of the old Emperor the utmost pains were taken to bring England into a close fighting alliance with Germany, Austria, and Italy. This, of course, is perfectly well known. There was never any secret about it, nor was there much secrecy about similar overtures previously undertaken, and sometimes accompanied by covert menace. Now, for my part, it always seemed to me that such an alliance was to be desired; or, if not to be desired, yet not to be rejected: which for practical purposes comes to much the same thing. Of course, no Briton of sense could wish to see England in such a coalition unless its purpose was to be a league of peace in the fullest and widest sense. To be particular, the articles of agreement could not be satisfactory to England if they did not forbid war anywhere by any of the European Powers. To be yet more particular, war in the East would have to be forbidden as much as war in the West; so that a Russia baffled in South-Eastern Europe would not be allowed to attack one of the allies in India any more than another in Europe. Not a man to be moved, not a gun to be fired anywhere: unless this were the prime condition of agreement, it would not do for England to engage in any such coalition as she was pressed to join. But if that was the proffered understanding, it had many and great seductions. Nor was it rejected off hand, I believe. Indeed, there is no likelihood that it was so rejected, for the reason that the risks implied in joining such a coalition had to be weighed against the dangers of being left out of it. But whether because the terms of partnership were too onerous or because some fatally objectionable project of disarmament was mixed in with them, or because it is so hard in these days for any British Minister to pledge the country to lasting engagements of the kind contemplated, the proposal came to nothing. Except, perhaps, for some conditional promises to Italy, England remains free from whatever risk may be involved in a strict alliance with this or that Great Power—and destitute of its advantages.

We are at liberty to believe, however, that for Lord Salisbury the impossibility of negotiation was a matter for regret, all the more because at Berlin it was too obviously regarded as matter of offence. They have very strong feelings in Berlin, especially in Ministerial circles; and they became impatient of what to them seemed mingled selfishness and stupidity of standing out of the alliance with mere protestations of good-will and proffers of moral support. It was a deep disappointment, and I dwell upon it because it is felt more bitterly now perhaps than it was at the time of its infliction. Yet then it occasioned irritation enough, and the more, perhaps, because a new portent had arisen to add to the chronic uneasiness of German statesmanship. General Boulanger had appeared, and though for many a long month that soldier and his pretensions were ridiculed by all the more sober politicians in his native land, and by nearly all in our own, no such mistake was made in Germay. From the first hour of his appearance as a distinct personage, he was viewed at Berlin with anxious curiosity, which deepened and became more dour as time went on. Naturally, for one reason alone the appearance in France of a man like General Boulanger was an event of signal importance for the Germans. French politics interested then, of course; but what engaged their attention most was the French army; and though year after year they saw that army steadily improving in numbers, equipment, efficiency, they had the satisfaction of knowing that what makes the French soldier most formidable was lacking still. In all France there was not a single General in whom officers or men had any confidence; certainly not one who commanded enthusiastic faith. The want of such a man is a serious thing for an army; to the French it makes a far greater difference for the worse than to any other perhaps. But give the French soldiery a general with 'a star' in which they believe as well as he does, and we all know what they can do and what they can endure. Now General Boulanger may be no Bonaparte; he may not even be a second-rate soldier; but no sooner does he offer himself to popular notice than he is hailed as a man of Destiny. Thousands saw the star above his head at once; tens of thousands, hundreds of thousands, millions see it now. That is what the Germans feared from the beginning; knowing that, although there may be nothing to dread from Boulanger's Generalship, believe in his star may work wonders in exalting the spirit of an army which had lost belief in itself. Besides, when a man of Destiny appears above the horizon, not far off will be found one or two men of genius roused to share his luck, and willing to enhance what they share by supplying his deficiencies. For these reasons alone, then, the sudden rise of General Boulanger added much to the uneasiness which had never ceased to torment the conquerors of France from the time when the milliards were paid so promptly.

ITALIAN TRAIN ROBBERS.

A recent descent made simultaneously upon the employes of all the railways of Northern and Central Italy by the Italian police has (says *Iron*) disclosed the startling fact that organized bands existed among those employes, and that it was owing to their excellent organization and expertness that so many robberies have been committed with impunity. Passengers have been found murdered and plundered in the compartments, and many letters and packages containing money and valuables have disappeared even from the mail vans. The public began to complain energetically of the miserable insecurity which had set in from the time the railways were farmed by private companies. In order to entrap the evil-doers the sudden descent was made, the result being that a number of skeleton keys, "jemmies," and every variety of tool required for the craft of the thief were found alike upon guards, porters, and others employed in the luggage-offices. The greatest haul was made at Treviso, which seems to have been the headquarters, of the bands. The complete success attending the cleverly planned operation will be hailed with the utmost satisfaction by travellers in Italy.

GERMANY AS A NAVAL POWER.

The new German naval programme, as it is set forth in a memorandum which has been appended to the Imperial Naval Estimates for next year, is a very ambitious and a very important one, says a writer in an English daily, who reviews it at length. He further says :—

Hitherto the naval armaments of the Empire have been mainly of a defensive nature; but the Government now announces its determination to secure for its navy a position proportionate to the political, military, and trans-oceanic interests of the Reich, and to render alliance with the Empire an object to be desired from a naval as well as from a military point of view. The Government proposes during the next six years to lay down and complete for sea no fewer than twenty-eight war-ships, of which four are to be armoured battle ships of the latest type, and nine coast-defence ironclads. There are also to be seven deck-protected cruisers, four fast unprotected cruisers, two armed despatch boats, and two seagoing torpedo gunboats. The estimated cost of all these additions to the German fleet is, in English money, 5,840,000*l.* The new armoured battleships are intended to replace the Grosser Kurfurst, which, it will be remembered, was accidentally sunk some years ago in the Channel; and the Kronprinz, Hansa, and Frederick Karl, which are admittedly useless for the purposes of modern warfare. Germany already possesses ten other seagoing armoured battleships, and the carrying out of the present scheme will bring the total up to fourteen. Of coast-defence armourclads, she has now one obsolete, thirteen serviceable, and one on the stocks at Gaarden.

AN ALLIANCE GREATLY TO BE DESIRED.

By the year 1895 she will, according to the new plan, have twenty-three effective vessels of this class. Hitherto she has laid down no deck-protected cruisers; and thus the seven projected ships of this type will form an altogether novel feature in her navy. Of unprotected cruisers she has now twenty-four. In six years' time she will have twenty-eight, but four of these will in the meantime have become useless. The number of her despatch-boats will be raised from seven to nine, and that of her torpedo-gunboats, or "torpedo-division boats," from five to seven. It may fairly be said that the general effect of the project which is now before the Reichstag will be to increase the offensive maritime strength of Germany by about fifteen per cent., and to add at least twenty per cent. to its defensive power; yet all this is, according to the memorandum, to be done at a cost of under six millions sterling.

If Germany should succeed in carrying out her intentions at so remarkably moderate an expenditure, it will be a matter of great surprise. She proposes that her new ironclads shall be of about 10,000 tons, displacement apiece, shall be of the most modern construction as regards protection, engines, and armament, and shall, nevertheless, be built and completed at an outlay of only 1,860,000*l* for the four. The estmated expense is, therefore, 465,000*l.* for each.

UNWARRANTABLY SANGUINE.

Surely, says the writer, the German Government is unwarrantably sanguine. The sort of battleship which one can buy nowadays for half a million sterling does not displace any thing like 10,000 tons, neither can it in any respect take rank as a first-class warship. Our Dreadnought, which was launched in 1875, and which has a displacement of 10,820 tons, cost 619,000*l.* to complete; our Sans Pareil, which was launched last year, and which has a displacement of 10,470, tons, will, when completed, have cost at least 720,000*l*; our Edinburgh, which was launched in 1882, and which has a displacement of 9,420 tons, cost 662,000*l*; our Rodney, which was launched in 1884, and which has a displacement of 10,300 tons, cost about 670,000*l*. In fact, a first-class armoured battleship of the size specified, and of modern type, costs in England at least half as much again as the German Government propose to set apart for each of its new ironclads; and we fail to understand how Germany can do the work at a much cheaper rate. Her biggest existing ironclad, the Konig Wilhelm, which was launched twenty years ago, and which is of considerably less than 10,000 tons displacement, cost over half a million. And what has been said of the estimated cost of the ironclads applies with almost equal force to the estimated cost of the new cruisers.

CHEAP AND INEFFICIENT.

Germany proposes to build or buy protected cruisers for 275,000*l.* apiece. She can doubtless do so, but the vessels at that price will be comparatively small and not up to the modern standard. She proposes, too, to build or buy unprocated cruisers for 80,000*l.* a piece. Our Arethusa, of 3,750 tons displacement, cost over 144,000*l*; our Iris, of 3,730 tons displacement, cost over 213,000*l.*; even our Archer, of only 1,630 tons displacement, cost over 86,000*l.*; while our Champion, of 2,380 tons displacement, cost over 113,000*l.* Again, what sort of dispatch boat can be nowadays procured for 50,000*l.*? Our Alacrity, of 1,400 tons, cost about 78,000*l.* Possibly the torpedo gunboats may be obtained for the estimated 30,000*l.* apiece. Yet the fact remains that our vessels of corresponding class have all cost more. If, therefore, no further sums be asked for to facilitate the completion of the new German naval programme, German taxpayers will have cause to congratulate themselves. Already they are asked for 5,840,000*l.*, a sum which, from the German's point of view, is about twice as large as it is from an Englishman's.

NAVAL CHAUVINISM.

The determination of Germany to become a naval Power of the second, if not of actually the first rank, will no doubt be greeted with enthusiasm by German Chauvinists, and there are now many such. Nor will the means for the furtherance of that determination be refused by the Reichstag. But the consequences of the new departure will at once make themselves painfully felt throughout Europe. For years the central Continental Powers have been striving one against another for military superiority, and the struggle, although it has chiefly been confined to emulation for superiority on land, has been so terribly costly that no man, woman, or child in the countries concerned has failed to feel its burden. Germany has now deliberately extended the sphere of the struggle to the sea, and, in consequence, the strife will tend to become doubly expensive. The adoption of the new programme will certainly be the signal for Russia and France to lay down new vessels. Russia's position in the Baltic is already imperilled. France, even at the present moment, might find it hard to protect her Atlantic and Channel coast if she were involved in a war with Germany and Italy combined.

THE EFFECT ON OTHER NAVIES.

And if France should begin to make large additions to her navy, we also shall be driven to make proportionate additions to ours, and thus there is no knowing at what point the ball which has been unnecessarily set rolling by Germany may stop. In 1870-71 when her navy, as compared with that of France, was not half so powerful as it is now, Germany was quite strong enough at sea to be able to guard her shores from attack. Since that time she has fortified her chief ports in such a manner as to render them impregnable. The greater part of her coast line has always, from its nature, been difficult of access; and modern science has now made it trebly so. Germany, therefore, has little or nothing to fear from attacks by sea. If she had limited her new scheme to the building of more coast defence vessels, Europe would have had no legitimate cause for apprehension. But, unfortunately, Germany expressly declares that she intends to become a great naval Power, and, by implication, that she wants new ships for offensive as well as for defensive purposes. Herein lies the danger the writer concludes. By needlessly introducing a new element into the anxiety from which Europe for years has suffered, the Empire ill serves the cause of peace and human fellowship.

A SPECIAL COMMISSIONER'S EXPERIENCES.

The *Methodist Times* apologises in its last number for a brief account of a meeting of the London Wesleyan Teachers' Association on the following ground:—"We had instructed 'Our Special Commissioner' to report the proceedings, but he, like many other innocent persons, was arrested as the Whitechapel murderer, and news of this occurrence did not reach us in time to send another reporter." It seems says *Globe* the that the Special Commissioner was twice arrested as "Jack the Ripper," the only reason being that he had spent nearly every night last week in Spitalfields and Whitechapel studying the life, habits, and customs of the inhabitants of that locality. In Commercial-street he was asked what he thought was "Jack the Ripper," object in cutting up his subjects. He replied that he thought it seemed only a thirst for human blood. He was at once denounced to the police and arrested, the accusation being that he was "Jack the Ripper," and that he had been making fearful statements about human blood. He was marched off to the Police-station, followed by a raging crowd, but as soon as he explained his identity he was at once released. That was his first arrest; the story of the second is still to be told. It is distinctly dangerous for any stranger to be seen in certain localities land if the Commissioner of the *Methodist Times* had carried a black bag he would have probably been lynched on the spot.

HOT WORK OFF ZANZIBAR.

A letter which has been addressed by a seaman aboard H.M.S. Griffon to a brother in Birmingham, and is reproduced by the *Daily News*, shows the daring and activity of the Arabs engaged in the iniquitous traffic of slaves off the coast of Zanzibar, and draws a graphic picture of service aboard our vessels on that station.

It appears, says our contemporary commenting on the letter, that there is a considerable demand for slaves to be employed in the unhealthy work of clove-picking in the Island of Pemba, and that incessant

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VESSELS IN DOCKS.—DECEMBER 20.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels.	Net Tonnage	Captains.	Sheds.	Company or Agents.
S.S. Brindisi....	2074	J. S. Hassall....	A	P. & O. S. N. Co.
„ Nubia	2319	J. H. Knox	B	W. & A. Graham & Co.
„ Merton Hall	2848	J. Hughes	D	E. Bates & Co.
„ Clan Macgregor	1926	S. H. Palmer ...	F	F. Muir & Co.
„ Sorrento....	1775	F. W. Ouston ..	G	F. Muir & Co.

VICTORIA DOCK.

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„ St. Fillans ..	2008	E. D. FitzGerald	1	K. Nixon & Co.
„ Kingdom ..	1419	H. M. Roberts..	2	J. Mackintosh & Co.
„ Kairos.....	1912	T. Liddle	3	J. Mackintosh & Co.
„ Bengal	2524	Barrett	6	P. & O. Co.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
19	Loodiana (s)	Britten	Calcutta.
20	Bisagno (s)	Tognasso ..	Hongkong, Nov. 28.
	Khiwa (s)	Crewe	Mauritius, Dec. 8.
	Co. of Ayr	Isles	Bangkok.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
20	D. Balduino (s) ...	Dodero	Genoa.
	Pashumba (s)	Pearson	Karachi and Coast.
	Kairos (s)	Liddle	Hull.
	Paltana (s)	England	Calcutta, Rangoon, &c.

The following vessels were entered for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Merka, for Zanzibar.
Ship D J Tunney, for Calcutta.

CALCUTTA.

Dec. ARRIVALS.
15 Kirklands s .....Wallace .....London, Oct. 26.
Chandwara s ....Smith .....Moulmein, Dec. 12.
Chupra s .....Anderson ..Bombay, Nov. 28.
Bann, ship .....Cruiting ....London, Sept. 21.

DEPARTURES.
Dec. 16.—Steamer Culna and Barque Alphonsine.

MADRAS.

Dec. ARRIVALS.
17 Pandua s .... London.
Medea s .... Calcutta.
18 Goa s .... Calcutta.

Dec. DEPARTURES.
17 Clan Grant s .... London.
Medea s .... Colombo.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 19.

Nugent, Major, R A, on leave, from Belgaum.
Gray, Captain, 3rd Belooch Battalion, to rejoin, from Poona.
Edge, Surgeon-Major, Bengal Medical Staff, on leave, from Deolali.
Shawe, Capt and Qr-Mr, 17th Lancers, on leave, from Lucknow.

DECEMBER 20.

Graham, Captain, Suffolk Regt, on leave, from Deolali.
Douglas, Major, 5th Lancers, on leave, from Deolali.
Keanie, Captain, 5th Lancers, on leave, from Deolali.
Collis, Lieut, 5th Lancers, on leave, from Deolali.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 19.

Boyd, Surgeon-Major, I M D, on duty, to Tanna.
Whylock, Lieut, Gloster Regt, on duty, to Deolali.

DECEMBER 20.

Morrice, Captain, Royal Fusiliers, on leave, to Kairo.
Going, Lieut, 7th Hussars, on leave, to England.
Nugent, Major, R. A., to rejoin, to Belgaum.
Watkins, Major, R E, on leave, to England.
Dorling, Captain, 2nd Yorkshire L I, on leave, to England.
Gray, Captain, 3rd Belooch Battn, to rejoin, to Karachi.
Jones, Surgeon, Bombay, on duty, to Poona.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 20.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

St Fillans s—149 bales cotton, John Fachiri; 300 bales cotton, Killick Nixon and Co; 7 bales cotton, Lyon and Co; 225 bales hemp, D Chaganlal; 30 bales wool, O Mathooradas; 50 bales cotton, D Sassoon and Co; 50 bales wool, E. D. Sassoon and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Siam s—7 cases indigo, Volkart Bros; 9 cwts ivory, L Morarji; one box gold bar, D Sassoon and Co.
Brindisi s—3,499 cwts rapeseed, Lang Moir and Co; 16 bales hides, E Lates and Co; 90 cwts weedseed, Volkart Bros; 16 bales skins, E Gangji and Co; 50 cwts gum, B Sajan.

FOR ANTWERP.

Darwin s—200 bales cotton, Beyts, Craig and Co; 50 bales cotton, Lang, Moir and Co; 55 bales cotton, Durst and Co; 4,002 cwts rapeseed J C Bushby and Co; 4,000 cwts rapeseed E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Siam s—8 cases indigo, Volkart Bros; 4 boxes silver-coins, The Hongkong Bank.
Clan McGregor s—9,820 cwts teelseed, 1998 cwts groundnuts, 1,840 cwts castorseed, 1,000 cwts Mowdaseed, and 999 cwts rapeseed, Ralli Bros.
Merton Hall s—87 cwts teelseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR TRIESTE.

Thisbe s—770 bales cotton, G Lockhart and Co; 20 20 cwts gum, Volkart Bros.
Siam s—18 cases indigo, Volkart Bros.

FOR VENICE.

Siam s—105 boxes indigo, Volkart Bros.
Thisbe s—50 bales cotton, Killick, Nixon and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Bengal s—137 cwts shark fins and fishmawa, L Chuttoo; 27 chests opium, D Sassoon and Co; 7 chests opium, J Noroeji; 80 chests opium, S J David and Co; 32 chests opium, E D Sassoon and Co; 12 chests opium, F N Postwalla; 46 chests opium, C Ebhram; 20 bales twist, D Sassoon and Co.
Kashgar s—160 bales twist, D P Marker; 24 bales twist, H A Esmail and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Bengal s—98 chests opium, D Sassoon and Co; 70 chests opium, E D Sassoon and Co; 65 chests opium, E J Abhraham.

CONSEQUENT on the death of Mr. J. McLeod Campbell, the following appointments have been made in the Revenue Department :—Mr. R. E. Candy, C.S., to be Senior Collector; Mr. W. W. Loch, C.S., Junior Collector; Mr. A. F. Woodburn, C.S., First Assistant Collector; and Mr. A. D. Younghusband, C.S., Second Assistant Collector.

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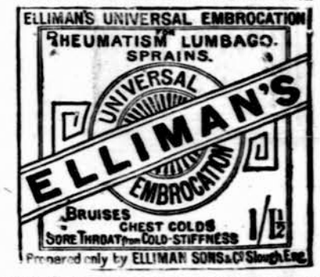

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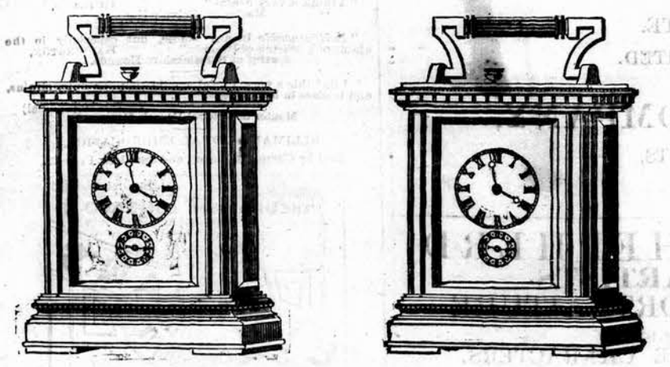

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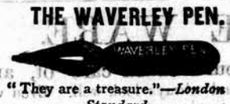

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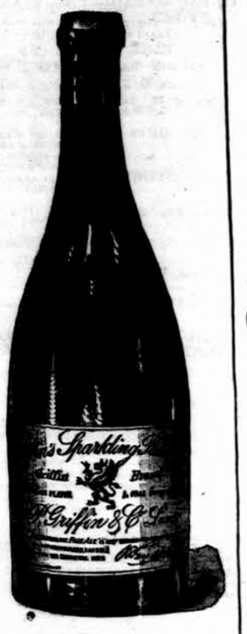

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